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A COLLECTION OF MENDON TOWN REPORTS
1857-1967
(FOURTEEN BOUND VOLUMES)

ANNUAL REPORTS
OF THE
TOWN OFFICERS
OF THE
TOWN OF MENDON
INCLUDING THE REPORT OF THE
SCHOOL COMMITTEE

FOR THE
Municipal Year Ending December 31, 1948
282nd ANNUAL REPORT

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TOWN OF MENDON.

Town of Mendon Incorporated May 15, 1667.

Population 1504, 1945 Census.

Registered Voters in 1948: Men, 421; Women, 379; Total, 800.

Annual Election: First Monday in March.

Annual Meeting: First Friday Evening after the first Monday in March.

County Commissioners:

| | |
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| Francis E. Cassidy, Chairman | Webster |
| George W. Jones | Worcester |
| P. Eugene Casey | Milford |

Fourteenth Congressional District:

Congressman, Joseph William Martin, Jr.
North Attleboro

Fourth Senatorial District:

Senator, Joseph E. Gibney Webster

Ninth Worcester Representative District:

Representatives General Court:

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|---------------------------|------------|
| Peter F. Fitzgerald | Blackstone |
| Charles Mullaly, Jr. | Millville |

Sheriff for Worcester County:

William A. Bennett Worcester

TOWN OFFICERS.

SELECTMEN.

(Selectmen serve as Board of Public Welfare
Board of Health and Fence Viewers).

D. Victor Smith Harold Metcalf Harold J. Fairbanks

TOWN CLERK.

Albert S. Coleman

TOWN TREASURER.

Silas H. Dudley

TAX COLLECTOR.

Arthur P. Dalton

ASSESSORS.

Carl M. Taft D. Kinsley Barnes Charles F. Leonard, Clerk.

AUDITOR.

William A. Barry

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Herbert Bowen Gordon R. Good John L. Lundvall

TRUSTEES OF TAFT PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Harold Metcalf John L. Lundvall Percy Rowe
Nina M. Burr Verena Daley, Secretary

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS.

Asa Vear

Joseph W. McEwen

Fred L. Kempton

Albert S. Coleman, Clerk

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Franklin E. Goodnow

Roy A. Barrows

Donald B. Lowell

PARK COMMISSIONERS.

Norry J. Daige

George A. Johnson

Fred Phipps

Chief of Police Mathew M. Mantoni

Constable Mathew M. Mantoni

Tree Warden William E. Nuttall

Town Solicitor Shelley D. Vincent

Dog Officer Mathew M. Mantoni

Public Weigher Martha Dudley

Sealer of Weights and Measures Clyde Saunders

Superintendent of Schools Percy Rowe

Fire Chief and Forest Warden Harold F. Lowell

Superintendent of Streets William R. Bowen

Burial Agent Norry J. Daige

Inspectors of Slaughtering Frank Phillips
Willard Seibert

Inspector of Animals Roy Barrows

Town Accountant Helen F. Irons

WATER COMMISSIONERS.

Franklin Goodnow Everett Watson Donato Leone

SURVEYORS OF WOOD AND BARK.

Arthur V. Pond Carl Wagner

FIELD DRIVERS.

Alex Woleck Edward Goss W. Arthur Robinson

FINANCIAL REPORTS.

SELECTMEN—SALARIES.

| | | |
|------------------------|----------|----------|
| Appropriation | | \$300 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Harold Metcalf | \$150 00 | |
| Lee McFarland | 12 50 | |
| D. Victor Smith | 75 00 | |
| Harold Fairbanks | 62 50 | |
| Total expended | | \$300 00 |

SELECTMEN—EXPENSES.

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|-------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Appropriation | | \$150 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Postage | \$27 83 | |
| Printing and Stationery | 26 22 | |
| Advertising | 15 98 | |
| Dues to State and County | | |
| Asso. | 27 00 | |
| Miscellaneous Supplies | 9 34 | |
| Total expended | \$106 37 | |
| Unexpended | 43 63 | |
| | | \$150 00 |

TREASURER—SALARY.

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| Appropriation | \$350 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Silas H. Dudley | \$350 00 |

TREASURER—EXPENSES.

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| Appropriation | \$225 00 |
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Expended:

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| Coupons Fire Station Loan | \$27 75 | |
| Postage | 60 65 | |
| Printing & Stationery | 22 22 | |
| Dues to State Asso. | 1 00 | |
| Check Books | 10 65 | |
| Certification of Bonds ... | 36 00 | |
| Repairing Adding | | |
| Machine | 18 00 | |
| Preparing Schedule A ... | 15 00 | |
| Miscellaneous Supplies ... | 16 04 | |
| Total expended | ————— | \$207 31 |
| Unexpended | | 17 69 |
| | ————— | \$225 00 |

TAX TITLES FORECLOSURE.

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|---------------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$200 00 |
| Unexpended | \$200 00 |

TOWN ACCOUNTANT—SALARY.

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|----------------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$300 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Helen F. Irons | \$300 00 |

AUDITOR'S SALARY.

| | |
|---------------------|---------|
| Appropriation | \$25 00 |
| Expended: | |
| William Barry | \$25 00 |

TOWN CLERK—SALARY.

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|-------------------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$125 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Albert S. Coleman | \$125 00 |

TOWN CLERK—EXPENSE.

| | | |
|---|----------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$396 50 | |
| Transferred from Soldier's Relief | 350 00 | |
| Total | | \$746 50 |
| Expended: | | |
| Recording Fees | \$92 00 | |
| Printing and Postage | 29 16 | |
| Advertising | 3 00 | |
| Safe | 383 40 | |
| Expense to Town Clerk's | | |
| Meeting | 12 76 | |
| Miscellaneous Supplies | 72 07 | |
| Total expended | \$592 39 | |
| Unexpended | 154 11 | |
| | | \$746 50 |

TAX COLLECTOR—SALARY.

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|-----------------------------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$800 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Arthur P. Dalton, Collector | \$800 00 |

TAX COLLECTOR—EXPENSE.

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|---------------------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$125 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Forms and Supplies | \$64 69 |
| Postage | 47 00 |
| Deputy Collector's Bond | 5 00 |
| Dues to State Association | 1 00 |
| Total expended | \$117 69 |
| Unexpended | 7 31 |
| | \$125 00 |

ASSESSORS—SALARIES

| | |
|---------------------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$450 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Charles F. Leonard, Clerk | \$250 00 |

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| D. Kinsley Barnes | 100 00 | |
| Carl Taft | 100 00 | |
| Total expended | | \$450 00 |

ASSESSORS—EXPENSE

| | | |
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| Appropriation | \$250 00 | |
| Transferred from Reserve Fund | 24 70 | |
| Total | | \$274 70 |
| Expended: | | |
| Deed Abstracts | \$189 00 | |
| Forms | 40 70 | |
| Dues to State and County Association | 6 00 | |
| Expenses to County Meeting | 15 00 | |
| Postage | 4 00 | |
| Carl Taft, Use of Auto | 20 00 | |
| Total expended | | \$274 70 |

ELECTIONS AND REGISTRATIONS.

| | | |
|--|----------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$524 00 | |
| Transferred from Vocational Education Fund | 200 00 | |
| Total | | \$724 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Payrolls, Ballot Clerks and Tellers | \$245 67 | |
| Payrolls, Assistant Registrars | 45 50 | |
| Printing | 142 84 | |
| Advertising | 95 19 | |
| Ladies' Alliance, Dinners | 4 25 | |
| Asa Vear, Salary and Listing | 33 00 | |
| Fred L. Kempton, Salary and Listing | 27 15 | |

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|--|-------|----------|----------------|
| Albert S. Coleman, Salary and Listing | 95 00 | | |
| Joseph W. McEwen, Salary and Listing | 31 73 | | |
| Total expended | | \$720 33 | |
| Unexpended | | 3 67 | |
| | | | <hr/> \$724 00 |

TOWN COUNSEL—SALARY.

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| Appropriation | | \$100 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Shelley D. Vincent, Salary | | \$100 00 |

TOWN COUNSEL—EXPENSE.

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|---|---------|---------------|
| Appropriation | | \$75 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Shelley D. Vincent, Conferences and Expenses | \$72 00 | |
| Unexpended | 3 00 | |
| | | <hr/> \$75 00 |

CLERICAL HIRE FOR TOWN OFFICERS.

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|----------------------|----------|----------------|
| Appropriation | | \$300 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Helen F. Irons | \$298 81 | |
| Unexpended | 1 19 | |
| | | <hr/> \$300 00 |

TOWN OFFICERS' BONDS.

| | | |
|----------------------|----------|----------------|
| Appropriation | | \$125 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Karl A. Bright | \$108 00 | |
| Unexpended | 17 00 | |
| | | <hr/> \$125 00 |

TOWN HALL MAINTENANCE.

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|-------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Appropriation | \$1,000 00 | |
| Transferred from Reserve Fund | 571 09 | |
| Total | | \$1,571 09 |
| Expended: | | |
| Janitor's Salary | \$360 00 | |
| Janitor's Extra Labor | 10 00 | |
| Janitor's Supplies | 40 33 | |
| Fuel | 908 48 | |
| Lights | 116 87 | |
| Bottled Gas | 26 00 | |
| Electrical Repairs | 89 18 | |
| Flag | 20 23 | |
| Total expended | \$1,571 09 | |
| | | \$1,571 09 |

TOWN HALL IMPROVEMENTS.

| | | |
|-------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Balance January 1, 1948 | | \$385 20 |
| Expended: | | |
| Clark & Shaughnessy Co., Oil | | |
| Burner | \$295 00 | |
| Unexpended | 90 20 | |
| | | \$385 20 |

STOVE AND EQUIPMENT FOR TOWN HALL.

| | | |
|---------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Appropriation | | \$350 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Gas Stove and Bottled Gas | \$249 75 | |
| Kitchen Utensils | 99 02 | |
| Total expended | \$348 77 | |
| Unexpended | 1 23 | |
| | | \$350 00 |

RECORD ROOM MAINTENANCE.

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| Appropriation | \$350 00 |
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Expended:

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|------------------------------|---------|----------------|
| Janitor Services | \$50 00 | |
| Fuel | 148 97 | |
| Lights | 13 00 | |
| Telephone | 29 35 | |
| Repairs to Adding | | |
| Machine | 4 00 | |
| Cleaning Oil Burner | 10 00 | |
| Miscellaneous Supplies | 4 01 | |
| Total expended | | \$259 33 |
| Unexpended | | 90 67 |
| | | <hr/> \$350 00 |

CONSTABLE—SALARY.

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|------------------------------|---------|
| Appropriation | \$25 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Mathew Mantoni, Salary | \$25 00 |

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

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| Appropriation | \$1,000 00 |
| Transferred from Reserve Fund | 21 04 |
| Total | <hr/> \$1,021 04 |

Expended:

PAYROLLS.

| | |
|----------------------------------|----------|
| Mathew Mantoni, Chief | \$472 15 |
| Mathew Mantoni, Use of Car | 94 35 |
| Harold Metcalf | 55 25 |
| Harold Metcalf, Use of Car | 25 70 |
| Robert Bartlett | 39 11 |
| Robert Bartlett, Use of Car | 10 95 |
| Harold J. Fairbanks | 27 21 |
| Harold J. Fairbanks, Use of Car | 4 50 |
| Clarence Grant | 28 90 |
| Clarence Grant, Use of Car | 5 95 |
| Norry J. Daige | 21 25 |
| Norry J. Daige, Use of Car | 2 50 |

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|----------------------------------|-------|----------|
| Raymond Rogers | 25 08 | |
| Raymond Rogers, Use of Car | 3 70 | |
| Raymond Barrows | 78 05 | |
| Harold Lowell | 2 55 | |
| Thomas Stevens | 19 55 | |
| Total | <hr/> | \$916 75 |

EQUIPMENT.

| | | |
|------------------------------|---------|------------|
| Toll Calls | \$19 43 | |
| Court Expenses | 9 23 | |
| Badges | 69 13 | |
| Accident Photos | 5 00 | |
| Miscellaneous Supplies | 1 50 | |
| | <hr/> | \$104 29 |
| Total expended | <hr/> | \$1,021 04 |

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

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|-------------------------------|----------|------------|
| Appropriation | | \$1,000 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Pay Rolls | \$346 40 | |
| Test Blowing | 50 00 | |
| Fuel | 90 98 | |
| Repairs to Siren | 40 45 | |
| Worcester Sub. Elec. Co. | 33 00 | |
| Gasoline and Oil | 30 70 | |
| Repairs and Equipmpent | 153 93 | |
| Harold Lowell, Salary | 100 00 | |
| Janitor | 35 90 | |
| Telephone | 118 60 | |
| Total expended | <hr/> | \$999 96 |
| Unexpended | | 04 |
| | <hr/> | \$1,000 00 |

FOREST FIRE DEPARTMENT.

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| Appropriation | \$500 00 |
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| Expended: | | |
| Pay Rolls | \$76 00 | |
| Equipment | 420 00 | |
| Total expended | <u> </u> | \$496 00 |
| Unexpended | | 4 00 |
| | <u> </u> | \$500 00 |

HYDRANT RENTAL.

| | |
|----------------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$500 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Town of Mendon | \$500 00 |

NEW FIRE STATION CONSTRUCTION.

| | |
|---------------------------------------|---|
| Balance on hand January 1, 1948 | \$5,126 75 |
| Loan Authorized | 18,000 00 |
| Total | <u> </u> \$23,126 75 |
| Expended: | |
| Carlton Goss, payments on con- | |
| tract | \$12,000 00 |
| Advertising for bids | 15 76 |
| Corbett Concrete Pipe Co. | 145 92 |
| Richard Gaskill, filling | 54 60 |
| Cement | 2 10 |
| | <u> </u> |
| Total expended | \$12,218 38 |
| Unexpended | 10,908 37 |
| | <u> </u> \$23,126 75 |

NEW FIRE EQUIPMENT.

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|------------------------|------------|
| Appropriation | \$6,850 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Farrar & Company | \$6,850 00 |

DOG OFFICER.

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|---------------------|---------|
| Appropriation | \$30 00 |
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Expended:

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|------------------------|-------------------|---------|
| Mathew Mantoni, Salary | \$10 00 | |
| Mathew Mantoni, Care | | |
| of Dog | 6 50 | |
| Total expended | <u> </u> | \$16 50 |
| Unexpended | | 13 50 |
| | <u> </u> | \$30 00 |

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

| | | |
|----------------------|-------------------|---------|
| Appropriation | | \$50 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Clyde Saunders | \$45 00 | |
| Unexpended | 5 00 | |
| | <u> </u> | \$50 00 |

PUBLIC WEAHER.

| | | |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------|---------|
| Appropriation | | \$20 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Martha Dudley, 44 Weighings @ .20 | \$8 80 | |
| Unexpended | 11 20 | |
| | <u> </u> | \$20 00 |

BOARD OF HEALTH.

| | | |
|--|----------|------------|
| Appropriation | | \$1,500 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Dr. Campbell, Clinic Service | \$100 00 | |
| District Nursing Asso. | 75 00 | |
| Rutland Training Center | 212 15 | |
| Worcester County Sanatorium | 78 00 | |
| A. Woleck, Rent and labor on Town Dump | 485 00 | |
| Pay Roll, Labor on Dump | 37 00 | |
| State Dept. of Public Health | 10 00 | |

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|------------------------|-------|------------|------------|
| Repairs to Town Pump | 36 90 | | |
| Meat Inspections | 7 00 | | |
| Total expended | | \$1,041 05 | |
| Unexpended | | 458 95 | |
| | | | \$1,500 00 |

TREE WARDEN.

| | | | |
|-------------------------|---------|----------|----------|
| Appropriation | | | \$200 00 |
| Expended: | | | |
| William Nuttall, Salary | \$12 00 | | |
| Pay Rolls: | | | |
| William Nuttall | 40 00 | | |
| Harold Metcalf | 10 00 | | |
| William Munsell | 27 20 | | |
| P. A. Millis | 60 50 | | |
| George Blanchard | 48 00 | | |
| Total expended | | \$197 70 | |
| Unexpended | | 2 30 | |
| | | | \$200 00 |

ELM BEETLE SUPPRESSION.

| | | | |
|-----------------------------|---------|----------|----------|
| Appropriation | | | \$500 00 |
| Expended: | | | |
| William E. Nuttall | \$20 00 | | |
| P. A. Millis, Spraying | 480 00 | | |
| Total expended | | \$500 00 | \$500 00 |

MOTH SUPPRESSION.

| | | | |
|------------------------------|---------|----------|----------|
| Appropriation | | | \$200 00 |
| Expended: | | | |
| William Nuttall | \$20 00 | | |
| P. A. Millis, Spraying | 180 00 | | |
| Total expended | | \$200 00 | \$200 00 |

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS.

| | | | |
|---------------------|--|--|----------|
| Appropriation | | | \$150 00 |
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Expended :

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|----------------------|---------|----------|----------|
| Erle Gaskill | \$37 50 | | |
| Roy Barrows | 112 50 | | |
| Total expended | ————— | \$150 00 | \$150 00 |

INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTERING.

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|---------------------|--|---------|--|
| Appropriation | | \$25 00 | |
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Expended :

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|-----------------------|---------|---------|---------|
| Frank Phillips | \$12 50 | | |
| Willard Seibert | 12 50 | | |
| Total expended | ————— | \$25 00 | \$25 00 |

WORCESTER COUNTY HOSPITAL.

| | | | |
|---------------------|--|------------|--|
| Appropriation | | \$1,838 36 | |
| Expended | | \$1,838 36 | |

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT.

GENERAL REPAIRS.

| | | | |
|---------------------|--|------------|--|
| Appropriation | | \$1,500 00 | |
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Expended :

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|-----------------|----------|----------|--|
| Labor | \$440 29 | | |
| Equipment | 159 95 | | |
| | ————— | \$600 24 | |

MATERIALS.

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|-----------------------|---------|--|--|
| Signs | \$20 00 | | |
| Sand | 220 15 | | |
| Shovels | 30 60 | | |
| Creosote | 26 60 | | |
| Electrical Work | 143 80 | | |
| Dynamite | 12 52 | | |
| Lumber | 321 12 | | |
| Paint | 53 99 | | |

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| Miscellaneous Supplies | 70 93 | |
| | <hr/> | \$899 71 |
| Total expended | | \$1,499 95 |
| Unexpended | | 05 |
| | <hr/> | \$1,500 00 |

CHAPTER 90 MAINTENANCE.

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| Town Appropriation | \$1,000 00 |
| State Allotment | 1,000 00 |
| County Allotment | 1,000 00 |
| Total | <hr/> \$3,000 00 |

Expended:

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|-----------------|------------------|
| Labor | \$955 88 |
| Equipment | 749 45 |
| Total | <hr/> \$1,705 33 |

MATERIALS.

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|--|------------------|
| H. A. Daniels Ins. Co. | \$39 01 |
| Barrett Division | 274 18 |
| Rosenfeld Sand & Stone Co. | 678 74 |
| Trimount Bituminous Pro- ducts Co. | 302 34 |
| | <hr/> \$1,294 27 |
| Total expended | \$2,999 60 |
| Unexpended | 40 |
| | <hr/> \$3,000 00 |

CHAPTER 90 CONSTRUCTION—1947.

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|--------------------------|------------------|
| Town Appropriation | \$2,000 00 |
| County Allotment | 2,000 00 |
| State Allotment | 4,000 00 |
| Total | <hr/> \$8,000 00 |

Expended:

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|-----------------|------------|------------|
| Labor | \$1,346 15 | |
| Equipment | 2,123 30 | |
| | <hr/> | \$3,469 45 |

MATERIALS.

| | | |
|-----------------------------|---------|----------|
| H. A. Daniels Ins. Co. | \$71 17 | |
| Roland Temple, Dynamite | 6 00 | |
| Henry J. Poirier, Gravel | 86 80 | |
| | <hr/> | \$163 97 |

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| Total expended in 1948 | \$3,633 42 | |
| Total expended in 1947 | 4,366 58 | |
| Total | <hr/> | \$8,000 00 |

CHAPTER 90 CONSTRUCTION—1948.

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|--------------------------|------------|------------|
| Town Appropriation | \$2,000 00 | |
| County Allotment | 2,000 00 | |
| State Allotment | 4,000 00 | |
| Total | <hr/> | \$8,000 00 |

Expended:

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| Labor | \$2,104 75 | |
| Equipment | 4,030 60 | |
| | <hr/> | \$6,135 35 |

MATERIALS.

| | | |
|--|---------|--|
| H. A. Daniels Ins. Co. | \$85 87 | |
| Barret Division, tar | 888 21 | |
| N. E. Metal Culvert Co. | 172 87 | |
| Roland Temple, dynamite | 25 35 | |
| Mrs. Milton Goldthwaite, gravel | 249 10 | |
| L. N. Jaques & Sons, supplies | 28 74 | |
| Fairbanks & Bartlett | 12 40 | |
| Rosenfeld Sand & Stone Co. | 19 91 | |

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|------------------------------------|--------|------------------|
| Carlton Goss, material | 10 00 | |
| Raymond Rogers, material | 12 20 | |
| Henry J. Poirier, gravel | 109 00 | |
| W. Arthur Robinson, posts | 45 00 | |
| Worcester County, bounds | 80 50 | |
| State Prison, signs | 125 00 | |
| Total Materials | | \$1,864 15 |
| Total expended | | \$7,999 50 |
| Unexpended | | 50 |
| | | <hr/> \$8,000 00 |

CHAPTER 81.

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| Town Appropriation | \$3,600 00 | |
| State Allotment | 8,100 00 | |
| Total | | \$11,700 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Labor | \$3,411 68 | |
| Equipment | 2,480 05 | |
| Total | | \$5,891 73 |

MATERIALS.

| | | |
|--|----------|-------------------|
| H. A. Daniels Ins. Co. .. | \$135 13 | |
| Trimount Bituminous Products Co. | 4,064 31 | |
| Rosenfeld Sand & Stone Co. | 1,221 37 | |
| N. E. Metal Culvert Co. | 104 47 | |
| Henry Poirier, gravel | 280 80 | |
| Roland Temple, supplies | 2 10 | |
| Total | | \$5,808 18 |
| Total expended | | <hr/> \$11,699 91 |

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| Unexpended | 09 | |
| | | <hr/> \$11,700 00 |

SNOW REMOVAL.

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|-------------------------------------|------------|------------------|
| Town Appropriation | \$8,500 00 | |
| Transferred from Reserve Fund | 693 54 | |
| Total | | <hr/> \$9,193 54 |
| Expended: | | |
| Labor | \$2,253 26 | |
| Equipment | 4,981 57 | |
| Total | | <hr/> \$7,234 83 |

SUPPLIES.

| | | |
|----------------------------|----------|------------------|
| Salt | \$358 20 | |
| Chains | 39 95 | |
| Sand | 289 52 | |
| Anti-freeze | 10 62 | |
| Repairs and Supplies | 1,026 36 | |
| Snow Fence | 234 06 | |
| | | <hr/> \$1,580 31 |
| Total expended | | <hr/> \$9,193 54 |

ROAD MACHINERY ACCOUNT.

MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS.

| | |
|-----------------------------------|------------|
| Appropriation from Road Machinery | |
| Fund | \$3,300 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Home National Bank, | |
| truck note | \$600 00 |
| H. A. Daniels Ins. Co. | 93 83 |
| Gasoline, oil and tires | 685 60 |
| Repairs and parts | 310 66 |
| Files & O'Keefe, supplies | 50 00 |
| Rent of barn for equip- | |
| ment | 25 00 |

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| Express | 2 50 | |
| Chains | 110 80 | |
| Fuel | 15 71 | |
| Total expended | | \$1,894 10 |
| Unexpended | | 1,405 90 |
| | | <hr/> \$3,300 00 |

ROAD MACHINERY FUND.

| | | |
|---------------------------------------|------------|---------------|
| Balance January 1, 1948 | \$3,371 04 | |
| Transferred to Road Machinery Account | 3,300 00 | |
| Balance | | <hr/> \$71 04 |

Paid to Town Treasurer:

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|---|----------|------------------|
| Chapter 81, use of truck | \$818 50 | |
| Chapter 81, use of grader | 158 00 | |
| Chapter 81, use of spreader | 63 95 | |
| Chapter 90 Construction (1947) truck | 392 80 | |
| Chapter 90 Construction (1948) truck | 653 40 | |
| Chapter 90 Maintenance, truck | 168 00 | |
| Chapter 90 Maintenance, spreader | 14 30 | |
| Snow Removal, truck | 1,008 00 | |
| General Repairs, truck | 135 75 | |
| J. Alves, tractor parts | 5 00 | |
| F. Roy, rent of mixer | 2 50 | |
| White Bros., rent of mixer | 5 00 | |
| Total | | <hr/> \$3,425 20 |
| Unexpended balance in Road Machinery | | |
| Account, December 31, 1948 | | <hr/> 1,405 90 |
| Balance in Fund December 31, 1948 | | <hr/> \$4,902 14 |

STREET LIGHTING.

| | |
|---------------------------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$627 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Worcester Suburban Electric Co. | \$627 00 |

HIGHWAY BARN CONSTRUCTION.

| | |
|-------------------------------|------------|
| Balance January 1, 1948 | \$7,000 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Carlton Goss, contract | \$7,000 00 |

PUBLIC WELFARE—SALARIES.

| | |
|----------------------------------|-----------------|
| Appropriation | \$119 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Lee McFarland | \$15 83 |
| D. Victor Smith | 6 00 |
| Harold Metcalf | 6 00 |
| Harold Fairbanks, Chairman | 79 17 |
| Helen F. Irons, clerical | 12 00 |
| Total expended | <u>\$119 00</u> |

PUBLIC WELFARE—TEMPORARY AID.

| | |
|------------------------|-------------------|
| Appropriation | \$3,350 00 |
| Expended | \$3,247 20 |
| Transferred to Old Age | |
| Assistance | 65 43 |
| Total expended | <u>\$3,312 63</u> |
| Unexpended | 37 37 |
| | <u>\$3,350 00</u> |

DETAILED EXPENDITURES.

MENDON SETTLED CASES.

| | |
|----------------------------------|-------------------|
| One family in own home | \$24 86 |
| One family in own home | 14 68 |
| One family in own home | 342 50 |
| One family in own home | 778 18 |
| One person in own home | 350 00 |
| One person in own home | 211 10 |
| One person in private home | 416 00 |
| One family in other town | 11 25 |
| | <u>\$2,148 57</u> |

Cases with no settlement, chargeable to the State

Department of Welfare:

One family in own home \$1,091 28

Miscellaneous expenses:

Hobbs & Warren, Forms \$1 85

Greater Boston Community
Council 5 50

_____ \$7 35

Transferred to Old Age Assis-
tance 65 43

Total expenditures _____ \$3,312 63

Proportionate Share of above expenses:

State of Massachusetts \$1,091 28

Town of Mendon 2,221 35

_____ \$3,312 63

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD J. FAIRBANKS, Chairman,

HAROLD METCALF,

D. VICTOR SMITH,

Board of Public Welfare.

REPORT OF AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN.

Resources:

| | | |
|-----------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Town Appropriation | \$2,700 00 | |
| Received from Federal Government: | | |
| (Direct Aid) | 597 25 | |
| (Administration) | 11 02 | |
| | <hr/> | \$3,308 27 |

Expenditures:

| | | |
|-----------------------------------|------------|------------|
| For Direct Aid | \$2,609 40 | |
| Transferred to Old Age Assistance | | |
| Account | 680 90 | |
| | <hr/> | |
| | \$3,290 30 | |
| Unexpended | 17 97 | |
| | <hr/> | \$3,308 27 |

Summary:

| | | |
|------------------------------------|----------|------------|
| Federal Government | \$564 25 | |
| State of Massachusetts Share | 869 80 | |
| Town of Mendon's Share | 1,175 35 | |
| | <hr/> | \$2,609 40 |

Amounts Due Town:

| | | |
|------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Federal Government | \$111 00 | |
| State of Massachusetts | 329 01 | |
| | <hr/> | \$440 01 |

Respectfully submitted,
D. VICTOR SMITH,
Agent.

REPORT OF BUREAU OF OLD AGE ASSISTANCE.

Resources:

| | | |
|--|-------------|-------------------|
| Town Appropriation | \$16,000 00 | |
| Transferred from Public Welfare, Temporary Aid | 65 43 | |
| Transferred from Aid to Dependent Children | 680 90 | |
| | | ————— \$16,746 33 |
| Received from Federal Government (Direct Aid) | | 11,811 58 |
| Received from Federal Government (Administration) | | 98 51 |
| | | ————— \$28,656 42 |

Expenditures:

| | | |
|-------------------------------------|-------------|-------------------|
| For Direct Aid | \$25,982 59 | |
| For Out of Town Cases | 2,118 45 | |
| For State Cases | 551 40 | |
| | | ————— \$28,652 44 |
| Unexpended balance (Administration) | 3 98 | |
| | | ————— \$28,656 42 |

Summary:

| | | |
|----------------------------------|-------------|-------------------|
| Federal Government's Share | \$12,110 74 | |
| State's Share | 11,170 22 | |
| Town of Mendon's Share | 4,937 93 | |
| Other Towns | 433 55 | |
| | | ————— \$28,652 44 |

Amounts Due the Town:

| | | |
|--------------------------|------------|------------|
| Federal Government | \$2,172 33 | |
| State | 1,877 79 | |
| Town of Westboro | 63 39 | |
| Town of Uxbridge | 183 57 | |
| Town of Milford | 182 37 | |
| Town of Hopedale | 4 22 | |
| | <hr/> | \$4,483 67 |

Respectfully submitted,

D. VICTOR SMITH,

Agent.

ADMINISTRATION

O. A. A. and A. D. C.

| | | |
|------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Appropriation | | \$350 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| D. Victor Smith, Agent | \$245 00 | |
| Helen F. Irons, Clerk | 105 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$350 00 |

SOLDIER'S RELIEF.

| | | |
|--------------------------|---------|----------|
| Appropriation | | \$500 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Aid rendered one Veteran | \$28 50 | |
| Transferred to Town | | |
| Clerk's Expense Account | 350 00 | |
| Total expended | <hr/> | \$378 50 |
| Unexpended | | 121 50 |
| | <hr/> | \$500 00 |

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE
OF THE
TAFT PUBLIC LIBRARY.

| | |
|---------------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$625 00 |
|---------------------|----------|

Expenditures:

| | | |
|----------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Personal Book Shop | \$127 59 | |
| Cahill's News Agency, books | 19 93 | |
| Worcester Suburban Elec. Co. | 9 00 | |
| Vestella M. Daniels, salary | 225 00 | |
| Raymond Dudley, janitor | 102 48 | |
| Charlescraft Press, supplies .. | 3 65 | |
| Gaylord Company, supplies | 4 90 | |
| Barney Coal Company | 43 00 | |
| Dura Binding Company | 27 20 | |
| Daniel Barnes, magazines | 60 30 | |
| Total expended | \$623 05 | |
| Unexpended | 1 95 | |
| | | \$625 00 |

From Fletcher Library Fund:

| | |
|---------------------------------|----------|
| Personal Book Shop, books | \$125 23 |
|---------------------------------|----------|

PARK DEPARTMENT.

| | |
|---------------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$175 00 |
|---------------------|----------|

Expended:

| | |
|----------------------------|---------|
| George Johnson, labor | \$69 90 |
| Chester O. Avery | 40 00 |
| Clayton Parkinson | 12 25 |

| | | |
|------------------------|---------------|-----------------|
| Louis W. Benotti | 48 25 | |
| Total expended | <u>170 40</u> | |
| Unexpended | 4 60 | |
| | | <u>\$175 00</u> |

WATER DEPARTMENT MAINTENANCE.

| | | |
|------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| Appropriation | | \$1,180 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Town of Bellingham, | | |
| water | \$93 62 | |
| Lloyd Nelson, material | | |
| and repairs | 255 86 | |
| George Allen, reading | | |
| meters | 6 65 | |
| Rosenfeld Sand & Stone | | |
| Co. | 17 55 | |
| Printing | 5 00 | |
| Toll calls | 11 74 | |
| Total expended | <u>\$390 42</u> | |
| Unexpended | 789 58 | |
| | | <u>\$1,180 00</u> |

WATER CONSTRUCTION—EAST MENDON.

| | | |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Balance on hand January 1, 1948 | \$5,616 92 | |
| Expended: | | |
| Builders—Providence Co., | | |
| supplies | \$16 34 | |
| Joseph Butura Construc- | | |
| tion Co. | 3,000 00 | |
| Total expended | <u>\$3,016 34</u> | |
| Balance December 31, 1948 | | <u>\$2,600 58</u> |

SOLDIER'S AND SAILOR'S GRAVES.

| | |
|------------------------------------|---------|
| Appropriation | \$30 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Swandale Cemetery Association | \$30 00 |

EXPENSE FUND—

WORCESTER COUNTY RETIREMENT SYSTEM.

| | |
|----------------------------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$264 95 |
| Expended: | |
| Worcester County Treasurer | \$264 95 |

MEMORIAL DAY.

| | |
|--------------------------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$150 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Flags | \$10 00 |
| Band | 75 00 |
| Wreaths and plants | 17 10 |
| C. C. Shattuck, supplies | 19 23 |
| Total expended | \$121 33 |
| Unexpended | 28 67 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$150 00 |

INSURANCE ON TOWN BUILDINGS.

| | |
|-------------------------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$800 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Donald B. Lowell, Agent | \$746 00 |
| Unexpended | 54 00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$800 00 |

TOWN REPORTS.

| | |
|--------------------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$357 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Charlescraft Press | \$357 00 |

RESERVE FUND.

| | |
|--------------------------|------------|
| Appropriation | \$1,500 00 |
| Transferred to Town Hall | |
| Maintenance | \$571 09 |

| | | |
|---|--------|------------|
| Transferred to Assessor's Expense | 24 70 | |
| Transferred to Police De- partment | 21 04 | |
| Transferred to Snow Re- moval | 693 54 | |
| | <hr/> | \$1,310 37 |
| Balance in Fund | | 189 63 |
| | <hr/> | \$1,500 00 |

MATURING DEBT.

| | |
|----------------------------------|------------|
| Appropriation | \$2,000 00 |
| Expended: | |
| School House Addition Loan | \$2,000 00 |

INTEREST ON TEMPORARY LOANS.

| | |
|---------------------|---------|
| Appropriation | \$50 00 |
| Unexpended | \$50 00 |

INTEREST DEBT.

| | |
|---|----------------|
| Appropriation | \$914 50 |
| Expended: | |
| Overdraft on 1947 Interest Debt | \$172 00 |
| Interest on Water Loan | 450 00 |
| Interest on Highway Machinery Loan | 22 50 |
| Interest on School House Loan | 270 00 |
| Total expended | <hr/> \$914 50 |

REPORT OF TOWN TREASURER.

CASH RECEIPTS.

JANUARY 1, 1948 — DECEMBER 31, 1948.

| | | |
|-------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Cash on hand January 1, 1948 | \$35,200 40 | |
| Receipts for year 1948 | 169,439 51 | |
| | <hr/> | \$204,639 91 |
| Paid per Selectmen's Warrants | | |
| year 1948 | \$174,757 12 | |
| Cash Balance December 31, 1948 | 29,882 79 | |
| | <hr/> | \$204,639 91 |
| Cash Balance December 31, 1948 | | \$29,882 79 |
| Balance in Milford Home National | | |
| Bank December 31, 1948 | \$40,957 65 | |
| Cash in Hands of Treasurer De- | | |
| cember 31, 1948 | 1,397 71 | |
| | <hr/> | \$42,355 36 |
| Outstanding Checks December 31, | | |
| 1948 | 12,472 57 | |
| | <hr/> | \$29,882 79 |

See Town Accountant's Report for detail of Receipts and Expenditures.

ANNA ELLIS LIBRARY FUND.

DR.

| | | |
|-------------------------------|----------|----------|
| To Cash in Savings Bank | \$549 53 | |
| To Interest Received | 11 04 | |
| | <hr/> | \$560 57 |

CR.

| | |
|-------------------------------|----------|
| By Cash in Savings Bank | \$560 57 |
|-------------------------------|----------|

U. S. DEFENSE BOND.

DR.

| | | |
|-------------------------------|------------|------------|
| To 1 U. S. Defense Bond | \$1,000 00 | |
| To Interest Received | 128 79 | |
| | <hr/> | \$1,128 79 |

CR.

| | | |
|-------------------------------|------------|------------|
| By 1 U. S. Defense Bond | \$1,000 00 | |
| By Cash in Savings Bank | 128 79 | |
| | <hr/> | \$1,128 79 |

HONOR ROLL FUND.

DR.

| | | |
|-------------------------------|----------|----------|
| To Cash in Savings Bank | \$356 19 | |
| To Interest Received | 5 36 | |
| | <hr/> | \$361 55 |

CR.

| | |
|-------------------------------|----------|
| By Cash in Savings Bank | \$361 55 |
|-------------------------------|----------|

AUSTIN WOOD RELIEF FUND.

DR.

| | | |
|---------------------------------|----------|------------|
| To Cash in Milford Bank | \$674 93 | |
| To Interest Received | 13 55 | |
| To Cash in Worcester Bank | 703 52 | |
| To Interest Received | 14 13 | |
| | <hr/> | \$1,406 13 |

CR.

| | | |
|---------------------------------|----------|------------|
| By Cash in Milford Bank | \$688 48 | |
| By Cash in Worcester Bank | 717 65 | |
| | <hr/> | \$1,406 13 |

NATHAN R. GEORGE TRUST FUND.

DR.

| | | |
|-------------------------------|------------|------------|
| To Cash in Savings Bank | \$1,111 93 | |
| To Interest Received | 22 34 | |
| | <hr/> | \$1,134 27 |

CR.

| | |
|-------------------------------|------------|
| By Cash in Savings Bank | \$1,134 27 |
|-------------------------------|------------|

FLETCHER LIBRARY FUND.

DR.

| | | |
|-------------------------------|------------|------------|
| To Cash in Savings Bank | \$5,116 81 | |
| To Interest Received | 101 32 | |
| | <hr/> | \$5,218 13 |

CR.

| | |
|-------------------------------|------------|
| By Cash in Savings Bank | \$5,218 13 |
|-------------------------------|------------|

TAX TITLES.

| | |
|----------|------------|
| 12 | \$1,428 07 |
|----------|------------|

Respectfully submitted,
 SILAS H. DUDLEY,
 Town Treasurer.

REPORT OF TOWN ACCOUNTANT.

DETAIL OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES
FOR 1948.

| | |
|------------------------------------|-------------|
| Cash on hand January 1, 1948 | \$35,200 40 |
|------------------------------------|-------------|

Receipts:

1948 Taxes:

| | |
|-------------------------|-----------|
| Poll Taxes | \$890 00 |
| Personal Taxes | 5,413 20 |
| Real Estate Taxes | 49,091 60 |
| Excise Taxes | 5,370 43 |

Previous Year's Taxes:

| | |
|---|-----------|
| Personal Tax | 633 50 |
| Real Estate Tax | 4,794 44 |
| Excise Tax | 410 50 |
| State Corporation Tax | 5,096 09 |
| State Income Tax | 4,223 52 |
| State Income Tax, School, Part I | 1,620 00 |
| State Tax | 879 55 |
| Licenses and Permits | 2,368 00 |
| Federal Grant, Old Age Assistance | 11,906 11 |
| Federal Grant, Aid to Dependent Children | 606 39 |
| State School Fund | 4,590 03 |
| State, Meal Tax | 703 81 |
| State, Inspector of Animals | 68 75 |
| State, Highways, Chapter 81 | 8,294 13 |
| State, School Transportation | 4,948 00 |
| State, Superintendent of Schools | 773 26 |

| | |
|---|-----------|
| County Treasurer, Dog License Re- fund | 436 69 |
| School Dental Clinic | 51 08 |
| Town Hall Rentals | 485 75 |
| Meat Inspection Fees | 67 50 |
| Public Service, G. L. 54 | 8 38 |
| Road Machinery Fund | 3,425 20 |
| State, Highways, Chapter 90 Con- struction | 7,998 25 |
| County, Highways, Chapter 90 Construction | 3,999 12 |
| State, Old Age Assistance | 10,959 50 |
| State, Aid to Dependent Children | 1,061 15 |
| Town of Northbridge, Old Age Assistance | 30 92 |
| Town of Westboro, Old Age Assistance | 9 53 |
| Town of Upton, Old Age Assis- tance | 110 43 |
| Town of Milford, Old Age Assis- tance | 122 59 |
| State, Temporary Aid | 1,898 48 |
| Reimbursement from Individuals, Old Age Assistance | 490 50 |
| Sale of Town Annals | 4 00 |
| Sale of Land, Route No. 140 | 1 00 |
| Reimbursement for Dog Officer Fees | 14 50 |
| District Court Fees | 25 00 |
| State, Tuition of Children | 1,481 51 |
| Sale of Highway Barn | 10 00 |
| Fire Insurance Settlement | 30 98 |
| State, Department of Public Health | 260 71 |
| School Tuition, One Pupil | 43 42 |
| Sealer of Weights & Measures | 5 00 |
| Library Fines | 20 50 |

| | | |
|--|-----------|--------------|
| State, Vocational Education | 230 88 | |
| State, Department of Forestry | 50 00 | |
| Water Department Revenue | 1,210 00 | |
| Public Weighing Fees | 17 60 | |
| Interest on Deferred Taxes | 216 47 | |
| Transfers from Trust Funds | 125 23 | |
| Income, Thayer Cemetery Fund | 2 77 | |
| Bonds for Fire Station | 18,000 00 | |
| Town Clerk, Dog License Fees | 492 40 | |
| Refund on Collector's Bond | 15 75 | |
| Withholding Taxes | 2,639 05 | |
| Contributory Retirement Deductions | 666 56 | |
| Miscellaneous Refunds | 39 80 | |
| Total Receipts for 1948 | | \$169,439 51 |
| | | <hr/> |
| | | \$204,639 91 |

Expenditures:

| | |
|--------------------------------------|---------|
| Moderator's Salary | \$10 00 |
| Selectmen's Salaries | 300 00 |
| Selectmen's Expense | 106 37 |
| Treasurer's Salary | 350 00 |
| Treasurer's Expense | 207 31 |
| Auditor's Salary | 25 00 |
| Town Clerk's Salary | 125 00 |
| Town Clerk's Expense | 592 39 |
| Collector's Salary | 800 00 |
| Collector's Expense | 117 69 |
| Assessor's Salary | 450 00 |
| Assessor's Expense | 274 70 |
| Town Officers' Bonds | 108 00 |
| Town Accountant, Salary | 300 00 |
| Clerical Hire for Town Officers | 298 81 |
| Elections & Registrations | 733 33 |
| Town Counsel, Salary | 100 00 |
| Town Counsel, Expense | 72 00 |

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|---|-----------|
| Record Room Maintenance | 259 33 |
| Constable's Salary | 25 00 |
| Gas Stove and Kitchen Equipment, Town Hall | 348 77 |
| Town Hall Maintenance | 1,571 09 |
| Town Hall Improvements | 295 00 |
| Police Department | 1,021 04 |
| Dog Officer | 16 50 |
| Sealer of Weights & Measures | 45 00 |
| Public Weigher | 8 80 |
| Inspector of Animals | 150 00 |
| Inspectors of Slaughtering | 25 00 |
| Fire Department | 999 96 |
| Forest Fire Department | 496 00 |
| Hydrant Rental | 500 00 |
| Erection of Fire Station | 12,218 38 |
| New Fire Equipment | 6,850 00 |
| Board of Health | 1,041 05 |
| Worcester County Hospital | 1,838 36 |
| Highways, General Repairs | 1,499 95 |
| Snow Removal | 9,193 54 |
| Chapter 81 | 11,699 91 |
| Chapter 90 Maintenance | 2,999 60 |
| Chapter 90 Construction (1947) | 3,633 42 |
| Chapter 90 Construction (1948) | 7,999 50 |
| Highway Machinery | 1,294 10 |
| Street Lighting | 627 00 |
| Highway Barn Construction | 7,000 00 |
| Public Welfare, Salaries | 119 00 |
| Public Welfare, Temporary Aid | 3,257 20 |
| Soldier's Relief | 28 50 |
| Aid to Dependent Children | 2,609 40 |
| Old Age Assistance | 28,669 24 |
| Old Age Assistance, Administration | 350 00 |
| School Department | 39,988 05 |
| Tuition for Vocational Schools | 1,089 20 |
| Taft Public Library | 623 05 |

| | | |
|---|----------|--------------|
| Austin Fletcher Library Fund | 125 23 | |
| Tree Warden | 197 70 | |
| Moth Suppression | 200 00 | |
| Elm Beetle Suppression | 500 00 | |
| Park Department | 170 40 | |
| Memorial Day | 121 33 | |
| Insurance on Town Buildings | 746 00 | |
| Federal Withholding Taxes | 2,639 05 | |
| Worcester County Retirement Sys- tem | 666 56 | |
| Worcester County Retirement Sys- tem, Expense Fund | 264 95 | |
| Water Construction, East Mendon | 3,016 34 | |
| Water Department, Maintenance | 390 42 | |
| Soldier's & Sailor's Graves | 30 00 | |
| Note and Interest, School House Loan | 2,270 00 | |
| Note and Interest, Highway Truck Loan | 622 50 | |
| Interest on Water Construction Loan | 450 00 | |
| Plans for Water Project | 1,500 00 | |
| Town Reports | 357 00 | |
| State Parks Assessment | 106 21 | |
| State Auditing of Accounts | 895 55 | |
| County Treasurer, Dog License Fees | 492 40 | |
| County Tax | 3,540 12 | |
| Tax Refunds | 94 82 | |
| Total Expenditures, 1948 | | \$174,757 12 |
| Balance on hand December 31, 1948 | | \$29,882 79 |

Respectfully submitted,

HELEN F. IRONS,

Town Accountant.

ASSETS.

Uncollected Taxes:

| | | |
|----------------------------------|-----------|-------------|
| Excise Tax | \$232 86 | |
| Poll Tax | 20 00 | |
| Real Estate Tax | 6,157 06 | |
| Personal Property Tax | 1,127 35 | |
| Cash in Hands of Treasurer | 29,882 79 | |
| U. S. Bonds | 1,000 00 | |
| 12 Tax Titles | 1,428 07 | |
| | <hr/> | \$39 848 13 |

Board of Health:

| | |
|---------------------------------|-------|
| Due from State of Massachusetts | 27 14 |
|---------------------------------|-------|

Old Age Assistance:

| | | |
|-----------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Due from Federal Government | \$2,172 33 | |
| Due from State of Massachusetts | 1,877 79 | |
| Due from Town of Milford | 182 37 | |
| Due from Town of Uxbridge | 183 57 | |
| Due from Town of Westboro | 63 39 | |
| Due from Town of Hopedale | 4 22 | |
| | <hr/> | \$4,483 67 |

Aid to Dependent Children:

| | | |
|------------------------------|----------|----------|
| State of Massachusetts | \$329 01 | |
| Federal Government | 111 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$440 01 |

Due from State of Massachusetts
on Highways:

| | | |
|------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Chapter 81 | \$4,214 58 | |
| Chapter 90 Maintenance | 1,000 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$5,214 58 |

| | | |
|--|------------|-------------|
| Due from County of Worcester on Highways: | | |
| Chapter 90 Maintenance | \$1,000 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$1,000 00 |
| Due for Sale of Water | | 318 50 |
| Due for Town Hall Rentals | | 133 50 |
| Due for Meat Inspections | | 7 00 |
| Due for School Tuition, one pupil | | 19 76 |
| Total Assets | <hr/> | \$51,492 29 |

LIABILITIES.

| | | |
|------------------------------------|-----------|-------------|
| Worcester County Hospital for | | |
| Construction | \$550 00 | |
| Bonds, School House Addition | 10,000 00 | |
| Notes on Town Truck | 1,200 00 | |
| Bonds for Water Construction | 20,000 00 | |
| Bonds for Fire Station | 18,000 00 | |
| Total Liabilities | <hr/> | \$49,750 00 |

LIST OF JURORS.

| | | |
|-------------------|---------------|------------------|
| Douglas Taylor | Carpenter | George Street |
| Donald B. Lowell | Dairyman | North Avenue |
| Harry L. Wilbur | Machinist | Hastings Street |
| William R. Bowen | Poultryman | Bates Street |
| Gordon R. Good | Machinist | North Avenue |
| Henry Twitchell | Machinist | Maple Street |
| William F. Irons | Musician | Main Street |
| Lester P. Mann | Pattern Maker | Washington St. |
| Ernest P. Wood | Wood Worker | Hartford Ave. W. |
| Chester O. Avery | Draftsman | George Street |
| Raymond L. Daley | Retired | Emerson Street |
| John L. Lundvall | Inspector | Hartford Ave. E. |
| Leonard M. Rogers | Draftsman | North Avenue |
| Jesse F. White | Boat Dealer | Uxbridge Road |
| Clayton Parkinson | Florist | Hastings Street |

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT.

1948.

DOGS LICENSED IN 1948.

| | | |
|---|----------|----------|
| 124 Males at \$2.00 each | \$248 00 | |
| 29 Females at \$5.00 each | 145 00 | |
| 45 Spayed Females at \$2.00 each | 90 00 | |
| 5 Kennel Licenses at \$10.00 each | 50 00 | |
| | | <hr/> |
| | | \$533 00 |
| Less Clerk's fees: 203 Licenses at 20c | | 40 60 |
| | | <hr/> |
| Cash paid Town Treasurer as per monthly statements | | \$492 40 |

Attention is called to the fact that all dogs three months old or more must be licensed at the Town Clerk's office on or before April 1, 1949. No bills are sent for this tax, so please assist the Town Clerk by paying your Dog License promptly. Dog owners should realize that the Dog Refund is added to the General School Fund, and should be more prompt in paying this tax.

SPORTING LICENSES ISSUED FROM
JANUARY 1, 1948 TO DECEMBER 31, 1948.

| | | | |
|---|-----|--------|----------------|
| Series 1 Resident Citizen Fishing | 127 | \$2.00 | \$254.00 |
| 2 Resident Citizen Hunting | 73 | 2.00 | 146.00 |
| 3 Resident Citizen Sporting | 74 | 3.25 | 240.50 |
| 4 Resident Citizen Minor and Female | 56 | 1.25 | 70.00 |
| 6 Resident Citizen Trapping | 2 | 5.25 | 10.50 |
| 9 Non-resident Citizen Fishing | 5 | 5.25 | 26.25 |
| 10 Non-resident Citizen Hunting | 1 | 10.25 | 10.25 |
| 7 Special non-resident Citizen Fishing | 7 | 1.50 | 10.50 |
| 15 Resident Citizen Sporting (Free) | 15 | ..... | ..... |
| 16 Resident Citizen Military or Naval Sporting (Free) | 5 | ..... | ..... |
| | | | <hr/> \$768.00 |
| Less Fees Retained by Clerk | 345 | .25 | 86.25 |
| | | | <hr/> |
| Amount paid Division of Fisheries and Game as per monthly statements | | | \$681.75 |

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN 1948.

| Date of Birth 1948 | Name of Child | Name of Parents with Maiden Name of Mother |
|-----------------------|---------------------------|--|
| Jan. 9 | John Steven Kelley | Charles and June L. Wright |
| 27 | Cherry Ann Healey | Howard J. and Gertrude Meyer |
| 28 | Richard Walter Crooker | Roger B. and Elsie Taylor |
| Feb. 12 | Kathleen Marie Bradley | Albert J. and Dorothy Varney |
| Mar. 19 | Paul Marshall Calcagni | Charles W. and Bernice Beiersdorf |
| April 2 | Marsha Irene Kearsley | Donald W. and Ruth E. Dalton |
| May 1 | Diane Blanche Hackenson | Wm. E. and Frances E. Cichanowicz |
| 9 | John Ellison Lee | George F. and Grace M. Ellison |
| 11 | Salvatore Tinio, Jr. | Salvatore and Nancy Mencarelli |
| 24 | Robert Henry VanderSluis | Robert and Elizabeth Heerd |
| 29 | Shirley Ann Youngsma | Peter A. and Gladys VanderSluis |
| June 1 | Pamela Louise Meader | Clayton H. and Edith Hammond |
| 2 | Margaret Jane Lague | Alfred J. and Jane Ashworth |
| 4 | Gerard Rene Martin | Wilbrod and Jeanne Jobin |
| 19 | Henry Whitman Brown, Jr. | Henry W. and Josephine Arcudi |
| 24 | Vincent John Fazio | Vincent and Florence R. Cirioni |
| July 30 | Joyce Ellen Greene | John A. and Helen L. Wheeler |
| Aug. 11 | Judith Anne Slater | Richard I. and Elizabeth I. Speckman |
| 11 | John Joseph Manning, Jr. | John J. and Marjorie Kennelly |
| 15 | Carol Elsie Rondeau | Harvey I. and Gabrielle Cousineau |
| 15 | Mary Judith Frabotta | Felix C. and Stella J. Arata |
| 19 | James Austin Malia | Thomas J. and Elaine Carmody |
| 21 | Larry Jon Pearson | Erland and Sonja Erickson |
| Sept. 1 | Louis Freeman Lowell | Linwood E. and Dorothy E. Kennelly |
| 6 | Marjorie Louise Congdon | Robert P. and Helen A. Taft |
| 12 | Roger Bruce Harvey | Edward G. and Helen L. Berg |
| 16 | Herbert Felson Baker, Jr. | Herbert F. and Grace E. Ebbeling |
| 21 | Carole Marie Sibley | Arthur C. and Hazel M. Palmer |
| 21 | Charlotte Mae Stearns | John H. and Louise G. Boover |
| Oct. 6 | Charlene Craddock | Hugh and Dorothy I. Chapin |
| 6 | Donald Allen Hutchinson | Arthur L. and Marion A. Robbins |
| 20 | Wayne Russell Nelson | Russell G. and Mary T. Goyette |
| 23 | Robert Norman Taft | Ellery F. and Madeline L. Simmons |
| Nov. 19 | David Ceolinski | Joseph E. and Mary Tumolo |
| 26 | Louis Anthony Creasia | Nicholas L. and Theresa Merolli |
| Dec. 14 | Ellen Joyce Reneau | Charles J. and Rita M. Casey |
| 21 | Donna Marie Richards | Francis D. and Ethel L. Sarsfield |

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN 1948.

| Date of Marriage 1948 | | Place of Marriage | Names | Residence |
|--------------------------|----|--------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|
| Jan. | 3 | Mendon | William Owen Norton | Louisville, Ohio |
| | 10 | Thompson, Conn. | Phyllis L. Devoll | Mendon |
| Feb. | 1 | Mendon | Arthur C. Longton | Mendon |
| | 14 | Hudson, Mass. | Dorothy L. Taylor | Holliston, Mass. |
| | 21 | Milford, Mass. | Linwood E. Lowell | Mendon |
| Mar. | 27 | Millville, Mass. | Dorothy E. Kennelly | Mendon |
| | 29 | Uxbridge, Mass. | Francis D. Richards | Mendon |
| April | 3 | Milford, Mass. | Ethel L. Sarsfield | Hudson, Mass. |
| | 17 | Mendon, Mass. | Richard N. Robertson | Hopedale, Mass. |
| May | 8 | Hopedale, Mass. | Beulah R. Gaskill | Mendon |
| June | 4 | Upton, Mass. | Ellery F. Taft | Millville, Mass. |
| | 12 | Milford, Mass. | Madeline L. Simmons | Mendon |
| | 11 | Northbridge, Mass. | Leo J. Moroney | Uxbridge, Mass. |
| July | 2 | Milford, Mass. | Olive Sutcliffe | Mendon |
| | 3 | Milford, Mass. | George H. Burnham | Millville, Mass. |
| | 3 | Northbridge, Mass. | Eleanor Hogarth | Mendon |
| | 6 | Grafton, Mass. | Murray A. Sherrett | Medford, Mass. |
| | 17 | Milford, Mass. | Irene M. Irons | Mendon |
| Aug. | 7 | Hopedale, Mass. | Raymond T. Roy | No. Uxbridge, Mass. |
| | | | Florida T. Daige | Mendon |
| | | | Clarence R. Phipps | Mendon |
| | | | Betty L. Robson | Upton, Mass. |
| | | | Francis H. Dunbar | Mendon |
| | | | Rita M. Curley | Milford, Mass. |
| | | | Andrew DeJong | Manhattan, Montana |
| | | | Dorothy Oppewal | Mendon |
| | | | Edward T. Powers | Mendon |
| | | | Elizabeth B. Young | Wellesley, Mass. |
| | | | Lester P. Mann | Mendon |
| | | | Madeleine W. Kynoch | Milford, Mass. |
| | | | Louis A. Leoncini, Jr. | Mendon |
| | | | Anna Arcudi | Milford, Mass. |
| | | | Elgar Bartlett | Mendon |
| | | | Annie M. McKeating | Whitinsville, Mass. |
| | | | W. Vincent Powers | Mendon |
| | | | Mary Deorsey | Grafton, Mass. |
| | | | Kenneth Taylor | Mendon |
| | | | Lois J. Wagner | Mendon |
| | | | James W. Scott | Worcester, Mass. |
| | | | Ruth P. Chick | Mendon |
| | | | Bruno E. Biagetti | W. Springfield, Mass. |
| | | | Mary E. Elce | Mendon |
| | | | Edward L. Graveson | Uxbridge, Mass. |
| | | | Cecelia P. Daige | Mendon |

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN 1948.

| Date of Marriage 1948 | Place of Marriage | Names | Residence |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|--------------------|
| 14 | Upton, Mass. | Donald H. Phipps | Mendon |
| 21 | Milford, Mass. | Dorothy E. Briggs | Upton, Mass. |
| 23 | Milford, Mass. | Allen E. Blake | Mendon |
| 28 | Milford, Mass. | Antoinette M. Bianchi | Milford, Mass. |
| Sept. | Milford, Mass. | Richard M. VanderSluis | Mendon |
| | | Eleanor G. Halsing | Mendon |
| | | Norman R. Parkhurst | Mendon |
| | | Mary E. Fitzpatrick | Milford, Mass. |
| 18 | Milford, Mass. | Russell W. Barrus, Jr. | Mendon |
| 25 | Hopedale, Mass. | Marie A. Niro | Milford, Mass. |
| Nov. | Hopedale, Mass. | John F. Gaskill | Mendon |
| | | Dorothy Murray | Hopedale, Mass. |
| | Hopedale, Mass. | Philip W. Harding | Mendon |
| | | Beverly Eunice Taft | Milford, Mass. |
| | Charlestown, Mass. | Kenneth J. Curley | Mendon |
| | Hopedale, Mass. | Margaret J. Potter | Charlestown, Mass. |
| 25 | Hopedale, Mass. | Robert E. Whiting | Mendon |
| 27 | Hopedale, Mass. | Beatrice M. Sanborn | Hopedale, Mass. |
| Dec. | Milford, Mass. | Stuart M. Applebey | Greenville, R. I. |
| | | Lorraine I. Carmody | Mendon |
| | Milford, Mass. | Ernest D. Baraiolo | Milford, Mass. |
| | | Elsie V. Boover | Mendon |
| 27 | Milford, Mass. | Armand J. Desmarais | Mendon |
| | | Regina L. Perrotti | Milford, Mass. |

DEATHS REGISTERED IN 1948.

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| Date of Death 1948 | Name | Age | | | Cause of Death |
|--------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----|----|----|--|
| | | Y | M | D | |
| Jan. 6 | Delia Champagne (Baptiste) Salois | 75 | 1 | .. | Fracture of base of skull |
| 8 | Angelina (Grenier) Thibeault | 68 | 10 | 21 | Acute heart disease and broncho-pneumonia |
| Feb. 6 | Mary T. (MacNeil) Walsh Barry | 83 | 7 | 24 | Carcinoma of liver |
| 10 | Gulditta (Bresclani) Bracci | 74 | .. | 18 | 2nd and 3rd degree burns— toxic ileus nephritis |
| May 27 | Agnes Jane Hall | 88 | 1 | 11 | Broncho-pneumonia |
| 12 | Olga Elenora (Peterson) Dunford | 43 | 11 | 9 | Carcinoma toxicosis |
| 13 | David James Watson | 76 | 8 | .. | Broncho-pneumonia |
| June 8 | Lorraine Thomas | 16 | .. | .. | Diabetes Mellitus |
| 11 | Margaret Jane Lague | .. | .. | 9 | Erythroblastosis Foetalis |
| July 7 | Elizabeth (Stewart) Spencer | 74 | 1 | 27 | Carcinoma stomach |
| 16 | Annie A. (Aldrich) Congdon | 89 | 9 | 29 | Broncho-pneumonia |
| 24 | Napoleon Thibeault | 70 | .. | .. | Cerebral hemorrhage |
| Aug. 6 | Sadie Maria Rogers | 62 | 5 | 2 | Hypertensive heart disease |
| 19 | Raymond O. Richards | 47 | 3 | 3 | Coronary occlusion with myocardial infarction |
| Sept. 6 | Otis L. Clark | 54 | 1 | 25 | Bronchiogenic carcinoma of lungs |
| Oct. 28 | Marian Elizabeth Goodnow | 74 | 4 | 13 | Carcinomatosis |
| Nov. 3 | William Brooks | 78 | 5 | 17 | Cardio Vascular disease |
| 10 | Della A. (Lally) Gamash | 54 | 5 | 26 | Cirrhosis of liver |
| Dec. 5 | Hulda Augusta Torgersen | 64 | 6 | 1 | Myocardial infarction |
| 7 | Claudia Beatrice Radloff | 82 | 9 | 15 | Coronary occlusion |
| 18 | Ida (Johanson) Lonnman | 60 | 2 | 14 | Generalized arterio-sclerosis |

Parents and others are requested to carefully examine the above lists and if any errors or omissions are discovered report them at once to the town clerk, that the record may be corrected, as it is of importance that the records of Vital Statistics should be complete. Herewith are extracts from the General Laws, Chapter 46.

GENERAL LAWS, CHAPTER 46, SECTION 3.

(As Amended by Chapter 281, Section 1, Acts of 1925).

Every physician, or hospital medical officer registered under section nine of chapter one hundred and twelve, in this chapter called officer, shall keep a record of the birth of every child in cases of which he was in charge, showing date and place of birth, the name, if any, of the child, its sex and color, the name, age, birthplace, occupation and residence (including the street number, if any, and the ward number, if in a city) of each parent, the maiden name of the mother and the name of the physician or officer, if any, personally attending the birth. If the child is illegitimate, the name of, and other facts relating to the father shall not be set forth except upon written request of both the father and mother; provided, that if an illegitimate child shall have become legitimate by the intermarriage of his parents and the acknowledgment of his father, as provided in section seven of chapter one hundred and ninety, prior to the mailing or delivery of any report herein required, such report shall read, in all respects, as if such child had been born to such parents in lawful wedlock. Said physician or officer shall, within fifteen days after such birth, mail or deliver to the clerk or registrar of the town where such birth occurred, a report stating the facts hereinabove required to be shown on said record and also the said written request, if any; provided, that if said report is not so made within forty-eight hours after such birth, said physician or officer shall, within said forty-eight hours, mail or deliver to said clerk or registrar

a notice stating the date and place of the birth, the street number, if any, the ward number, if in a city, and the family name. Upon presentation to him of a certificate of the town clerk stating that any such birth has been duly reported, the town treasurer shall pay to such physician or officer a fee of twenty-five cents for each birth so reported. Any physician or any such officer violating any provision of this section shall forfeit not more than twenty-five dollars. The said town clerk or registrar shall file daily with the local board of health a list of all births reported to him, showing, as to each, the date of birth, sex, color, family name, residence, ward and physician or officer in charge.

GENERAL LAWS, CHAPTER 46, SECTION 6.

Parents, within forty days after the birth of a child, and every householder, within forty days after a birth in his house, shall cause notice thereof to be given to the clerk of the town where such child is born * * *.

Blanks may be obtained upon application to the town clerk.

NOTICE

SOME OF THE MANY

REASONS WHY BIRTHS SHOULD BE RECORDED.

To establish identity.

To prove nationality.

To prove legitimacy.

To show when the child has the right to enter school.

To show when the child has the right to seek employment under the child labor law.

To establish the right of inheritance to property.

To establish liability to military duty, as well as exemption therefrom.

To establish age and citizenship in order to vote.

To qualify to hold title to, and to buy or sell real estate.

To establish the right to hold public office.

To prove the age at which the marriage contract may be entered into.

To prove age to determine validity of a contract entered into by an alleged minor.

To prove age for Old Age Assistance.

To prove age so as to have the right to take Civil Service Examinations.

Parents be sure to record the birth of your child with given name in full.

Your co-operation to the end that all births may be properly recorded will be greatly appreciated.

Your attention is called to the provisions of Section 36 and 55 of Chapter 207 of the General Laws relating to marriages solemnized out of this state, which are as follows:

“Section 29 of Chapter 151 of the Revised Laws: If a marriage is solemnized in another state between parties living in this Commonwealth who return to dwell here they shall, within seven days after their return, file with the clerk or registrar of the city or town in which either of them lived

at the time of their marriage, a certificate or declaration of their marriage, including the facts relative to marriages, which are required by law, and for neglect thereof shall forfeit ten dollars."

Blanks for the return of all Vital records can be obtained from the Town Clerk.

I take this opportunity in wishing the Townspeople a very prosperous year during 1949.

Respectfully submitted,

ALBERT S. COLEMAN,

Town Clerk.

Mendon, January 1, 1949.

COLLECTOR'S REPORT.

1948.

1946 REAL ESTATE TAXES.

DR.

| | | |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------|---------|
| Taxes Outstanding Jan. 1, 1948 | \$59 50 | |
| Interest | 3 05 | |
| | <u> </u> | \$62 55 |

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|----------------------|-------------------|---------|
| Paid Treasurer | \$62 55 | |
| Uncollected | 00 | |
| | <u> </u> | \$62 55 |

1947 MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES.

DR.

| | | |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------|----------|
| Taxes Outstanding Jan. 1, 1948 | \$329 13 | |
| Interest | 4 05 | |
| | <u> </u> | \$333 18 |

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| Paid Treasurer | \$320 33 | |
| Abated | 12 95 | |
| Uncollected | 00 | |
| | <u> </u> | \$333 18 |

DR.

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|--------------------------------------|-------------------|---------|
| 1947 Excise Taxes Committed Jan. 16, | | |
| 1948 | \$94 32 | |
| Interest | 14 | |
| | <u> </u> | \$94 46 |

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| Paid Treasurer | \$94 46 | |
| Uncollected | 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$94 46 |

1947 PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES.

DR.

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| Taxes Outstanding Jan. 1, 1948 | \$682 15 | |
| Interest | 23 90 | |
| | <hr/> | \$706 05 |

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| Paid Treasurer | \$657 40 | |
| Abated | 24 50 | |
| Uncollected | 24 15 | |
| | <hr/> | \$706 05 |

1947 REAL ESTATE TAXES.

DR.

| | | |
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| Taxes Outstanding Jan. 1, 1948 | \$4,957 40 | |
| Interest | 150 46 | |
| | <hr/> | \$5,107 86 |

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| Paid Treasurer | \$4,885 40 | |
| Abated | 1 40 | |
| Uncollected | 221 06 | |
| | <hr/> | \$5,107 86 |

1948 POLL TAXES.

DR.

| | | |
|------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Taxes Committed, Including Omitted | | |
| Assessment of Nov. 20, 1948 | \$1,018 00 | |
| Interest | 1 14 | |
| Demands | 10 15 | |
| | <hr/> | \$1,029 29 |

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| Paid Treasurer | \$901 29 | |
| Abated | 108 00 | |
| Uncollected | 20 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$1,029 29 |

1948 MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES.

DR.

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| First Commitment Jan. 30, 1948 | \$900 95 | |
| Interest | 08 | |
| | <hr/> | \$901 03 |

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| Paid Treasurer | \$874 48 | |
| Abated | 26 55 | |
| Uncollected | 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$901 03 |

DR.

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| Second Commitment May 1, 1948 | \$2,223 37 | |
| Interest | 2 68 | |
| | <hr/> | \$2,226 05 |

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| Paid Treasurer | \$2,097 28 | |
| Abated | 122 17 | |
| Uncollected | 6 60 | |
| | <hr/> | \$2,226 05 |

DR.

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| Third Commitment June 15, 1948 | \$1,322 64 | |
| Interest | 3 28 | |
| | <hr/> | \$1,325 92 |

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| Paid Treasurer | \$1,269 46 | |
| Abated | 47 31 | |
| Uncollected | 9 15 | |
| | <hr/> | \$1,325 92 |

DR.

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| Fourth Commitment August 12, 1948 | \$820 99 | |
| Interest | 30 | |
| | <hr/> | \$821 29 |

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| Paid Treasurer | \$702 13 | |
| Abated | 113 16 | |
| Uncollected | 6 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$821 29 |

DR.

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| Fifth Commitment November 12, 1948 | \$454 60 | |
| | <hr/> | \$454 60 |

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| Paid Treasurer | \$385 94 | |
| Uncollected | 68 66 | |
| | <hr/> | \$454 60 |

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| Sixth Commitment December 17, 1948 | \$189 93 | |
| | <hr/> | \$189 93 |

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| Paid Treasurer | \$47 48 | |
| Uncollected | 142 45 | |
| | <hr/> | \$189 93 |

1948 PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES.

DR.

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|-----------------------|------------|------------------|
| Taxes Committed | \$6,516 40 | |
| Interest | 89 | |
| | | ————— \$6,517 29 |

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| Paid Treasurer | \$5,414 09 | |
| Uncollected | 1,103 20 | |
| | | ————— \$6,517 29 |

1948 REAL ESTATE TAXES.

DR.

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|-----------------------|-------------|-------------------|
| Taxes Committed | \$56,115 60 | |
| Interest | 16 35 | |
| | | ————— \$56,131 95 |

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|-----------------------------------|-------------|-------------------|
| Paid Treasurer | \$49,107 95 | |
| Abated | 958 00 | |
| Subsequent Tax Title Credit | 130 00 | |
| Uncollected | 5,936 00 | |
| | | ————— \$56,131 95 |

TAX REFUNDS FOR 1948.

| | | |
|----------------------------------|---------|---------------|
| Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes | \$74 82 | |
| Real Estate Taxes | 20 00 | |
| | | ————— \$94 82 |

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR P. DALTON,

Collector of Taxes.

January 1, 1949.

ASSESSORS' REPORT.

The Assessors' Recapitulation Sheet of Aggregates is given below:

RECAPITULATION SHEET.

Town Appropriations:

| | |
|-------------------------------------|--------------|
| Annual Town Meeting, March, | |
| 1948 | \$128,426 15 |
| Deficits in excess of Overlay | 650 00 |
| State Taxes, 1948 | 1,114 29 |
| County Taxes, 1948 | 3,745 28 |
| Overlay for 1948 | 2,067 85 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$136,003 57 |

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|--------------------------|-------------|
| Estimated Receipts | \$46,597 39 |
| Available Funds | 26,074 18 |
| | <hr/> |
| | 72,671 57 |

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|--------------------------------|----------------|
| Net amount raised on Polls and | |
| Property | \$63,332 00 |
| 470 Poll Taxes at \$2.00 | \$940 00 |
| Personal Property | \$162,910 00 |
| Real Estate | 1,396,890 00 |
| Total Valuation | <hr/> |
| | \$1,559 800 00 |

| | |
|-------------------------------|-----|
| Number of Assessments on Real | |
| Estate | 484 |

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|-------------------------------|----|
| Number of Assessments on Per- | |
| sonal Estate | 80 |

| | |
|---|--------------|
| Value of Assessed Stock-in-trade | \$4,200 00 |
| Value of Assessed Live Stock | 65,690 00 |
| Value of Assessed Machinery | 69,750 00 |
| Value of all other Assessed Personal Estate | 23,270 00 |
| Total Value of Assessed Personal Property | \$162,910 00 |

| | |
|---|-----------------------|
| Value of Assessed Buildings, excluding land | \$1,067,880 00 |
| Value of Assessed Land, Excluding Buildings | 329,010 00 |
| Total Value of Real Estate | <u>\$1,396,890 00</u> |
| Total Value of Assessed Property | \$1,559,800 00 |

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|------------------------------|--------------------|
| Tax on Personal Estate | \$6,516 40 |
| Tax on Real Estate | 55,875 60 |
| Tax on Polls | 940 00 |
| | <u>\$63,332 00</u> |

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|--|---------|
| Rate of Tax per \$1,000.00 | \$40 00 |
| Number of Horses assessed | 29 |
| Number of Cows assessed | 540 |
| Number of Neat Cattle other than cows assessed | 85 |
| Number of Swine assessed | 13 |
| Number of Fowl assessed | 4230 |
| Number of Dwelling Houses assessed | 451 |
| Number of Acres of Land assessed | 10,757 |

MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES COMMITTED TO
COLLECTOR IN 1948.

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|-----------------------------------|------------|
| Vehicles registered in 1948 | \$6,036 45 |
|-----------------------------------|------------|

MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES ABATED

| | | |
|--------------------------|---------|----------|
| 1947 Taxes in 1948 | \$12 95 | |
| 1948 Taxes | 384 01 | |
| | | \$396 96 |

OVERLAY ACCOUNT 1947.

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|--------------------------|---------|
| Abatements in 1948 | \$25 90 |
|--------------------------|---------|

OVERLAY ACCOUNT, 1948.

| | | |
|-----------------------|------------|--|
| 1948 Overlay | \$2,067 85 | |
| 1948 Abatements | \$1,086 00 | |

Respectfully submitted,

CARL M. TAFT,
D. KINSLEY BARNES,
CHARLES F. LEONARD,

Mendon Board of Assessors.

REPORT OF FIRE ENGINEERS.

To the Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

The Fire Department answered 14 alarms during 1948, as follows:

| | |
|------------------|-------------------|
| 6 Chimney Fires | 2 Hen House Fires |
| 3 Dwelling Fires | 1 Store Fire |
| 2 Auto Fires | |

Estimated damage of these fires was \$317, which is the lowest loss since the Fire Department was formed in 1925.

The siren was repaired in January.

The department purchased a portable electric generator and flood lights which was delivered with our new apparatus.

The new fire apparatus consists of a 500-gallon pumper which was passed by the Underwriters, a 500-gallon water tank, 1000 feet 2½ in. hose, a foam tank, a wet water tank and a 45-foot aluminum ladder.

The new fire station, which is nearing completion, will be a big asset to your Department and town, and we invite all to visit it at any time it is open.

Your Department sponsored a "Horrible Parade" and show with refreshments the night before the Fourth of July,

which was well attended and on October 30, it also sponsored a soap-box derby which was enjoyed by spectators as well as those taking part. Also sponsored, in conjunction with Mendon Grange, lighting of Christmas Tree on Founders' Park.

Plans are under way for the annual Firemen's Minstrel Show.

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD F. LOWELL, Chief,
NORRY J. DAIGE,

Fire Engineers.

REPORT OF THE FOREST WARDEN.

To the Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

The Forest Fire Department answered 12 alarms during the year, burning over only $1\frac{1}{4}$ acres of grass land.

The Forest Warden wishes to thank the townspeople for their care and cooperation during the extremely dry season.

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD F. LOWELL,

Forest Warden.

REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

FOR 1948.

| | |
|-----------------------------------|-----------|
| Complaints answered | 58 |
| Summons served | 9 |
| Arrests made | 5 |
| Breaks investigated | 10 |
| Auto accidents investigated | 15 |
| Superior Court cases | 3 |
| Court cases | 7 |
| Admitted to County Jail | 1 |
| Patrol of roads | 408½ hrs. |

Respectfully submitted,

MATHEW M. MANTONI,

Chief of Police.

REPORT OF SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

| | Scales | Amount |
|--------------------------------------|----------|--------------|
| Gasoline pumps | 7 | \$3.50 |
| Beam scales over 100 lbs. | 1 | .50 |
| Platform scales over 100 lbs. | 1 | .50 |
| Spring scales under 100 lbs. | 3 | .30 |
| Computing scales under 100 lbs. | 1 | .10 |
| Counter scales under 50 lbs. | 1 | .10 |
| | <hr/> 14 | <hr/> \$5.00 |

I have collected \$5.00 for Sealing Fees and have turned this amount over to the Town Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,

CLYDE F. SAUNDERS,

Sealer.

Mendon, December 13, 1948.

REPORT OF THE PUBLIC WEAIGHER.

Report of Year's Weighings:

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|----------------------------------|---------|
| 44 weighings at \$.40 each | \$17 60 |
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Respectfully submitted,
 MARTHA E. DUDLEY,
 Public Weigher.

REPORT OF INSPECTORS OF SLAUGHTERING.

To the Honorable Board of Health:

The following animals have been examined and passed by us, during the year 1948:

5 Beeves.

2 Veal.

Respectfully submitted,
 FRANK R. PHILLIPS,
 WILLARD N. SEIBERT,
 Inspectors of Slaughtering.

REPORT OF THE HIGHWAY SURVEYOR.

TO THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

GENTLEMEN:

I submit the following annual report of work done on the Town roads for the year 1948:

CHAPTER 81.

27,195 gallons of asphalt were applied to various roads under this Chapter. This work is more costly every year. Asphalt at the present time costs \$.1525 per gallon and the cost of sand, trucks and labor all have risen considerably.

We have to spend part of this appropriation on our Chapter 90 Maintenance to maintain these roads as the appropriation for Chapter 90 roads is not enough to keep them in repair.

This year considerable drainage was necessary as shoulders were becoming higher than the roads. A bad situation arose on Hartford Avenue East near the old Shoddy Mill. Every Spring the overflow from a small pond seeps in under the road. We have now installed fifty feet of additional pipe as well as 100 yards of gravel to overcome this trouble. We excavated in order to drain off this side of the road, thus widening the shoulders and making the road safer for traffic.

On Bates Street one bad place was widened to permit two cars to pass.

On Cemetery Street the bad corners were cut back to improve the view and the shoulders were widened so that the

school bus and cement trucks from Rosenfeld's Gravel Pit could pass.

Brush was cut on most roads and all dangerous curves.

CHAPTER 90 MAINTENANCE.

3,655 gallons of tar and oil were applied to roads of this Chapter. On Hartford Avenue West we honed 2,150 feet of road between George Davis' residence and Laurie Hutchinson's. This eliminated most of the rough spots and has improved riding conditions.

The shoulders were cut back on Providence Street and the drainage cleared. This allows more room for snow removal. Patch was also spread on the spots where it was needed mostly.

We have asked for money from the State and County for a project to rebuild Providence Street on a three year basis, and trust our request will be granted as this road is now beyond maintenance.

CHAPTER 90 CONSTRUCTION.

Work was completed on this Chapter in September 1948 and approved by the Commissioners October 1, 1948. The intersection at Thornton Street was improved greatly. Filling in part of the meadow on the opposite side, permits more room for snow removal which has always been a problem at this point.

At the bad corner near Mr. Ernest Wood's residence, the corner was cleared so as to eliminate any accidents for the time being. In 1949 the road bed will be altered at this point considerably and the rest of the road completed. County Bounds were erected from the Willard Mathewson residence to the Town Line.

SNOW REMOVAL.

I would like to report that one thousand feet of additional snow fence was purchased and has been erected in places where it was badly needed. This should help considerably.

CONCLUSION.

I wish to thank the townspeople for the appropriation to build the Town Highway Barn. We now have a fine place to keep all our equipment. It is very handy in the Winter to be able to attach the plows, repair chains, etc. and not have to dig out plows in the snow and cold out-of-doors.

I wish to thank the Board of Selectmen, the Townspeople and the State and County Engineers for their cooperation and any assistance they have given me in the past.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM R. BOWEN,

Highway Surveyor.

SCHEDULE OF WAGES PAID EMPLOYEES ON ALL HIGHWAY WORK IN 1948.

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| Name | Chapter 81 | Chapter 90 | | Chapter 90 | Chapter 90 | | Totals | |
|----------------------|------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|-----------------|------------|
| | | Construction | Construction | Construction | Maintenance | Snow Removal | General Repairs | |
| | | 1947 | 1948 | | | | | |
| W. Bowen, Supt. | \$920.00 | \$250.00 | \$470.00 | \$237.50 | \$650.00 | | \$157.69 | \$2,685.19 |
| W. Auty | 13.60 | | | | 7.84 | | | 21.44 |
| D. Barnes | | | | | 4.54 | | | 4.54 |
| G. Butler | | 20.40 | | | 5.10 | | | 25.50 |
| R. Crooker | | | | | 7.43 | | | 7.43 |
| G. Daige, Jr. | 10.20 | | | | 22.28 | | | 32.48 |
| O. Devoll | | | | | 10.72 | | | 10.72 |
| R. Devoll | | | | | 4.95 | | | 4.95 |
| J. Dominick | | | | | 4.13 | | | 4.13 |
| N. Downing | | | | | 26.82 | | | 26.82 |
| C. Ellison | | | | | 18.57 | | | 18.57 |
| R. Fagan | 177.65 | 88.40 | 141.95 | 10.20 | 34.65 | | 14.45 | 467.30 |
| D. Gaskell | | | | | 8.25 | | | 8.25 |
| E. Gaskill | | | | | 11.55 | | | 11.55 |
| J. Gaskill | | | | | 17.32 | | | 17.32 |
| R. Gaskill | 262.65 | 59.50 | 90.10 | 62.90 | 71.08 | | 14.25 | 560.48 |
| C. Goss | | | | | | | 42.00 | 42.00 |
| F. Grant | | | | | 14.85 | | | 14.85 |
| W. Hackenson | | | | | 4.13 | | | 4.13 |
| C. Hammond | | | | | 6.19 | | | 6.19 |
| R. Hazard | | | | | 4.25 | | | 4.25 |
| G. Hutchinson | | | | | 6.19 | | | 6.19 |
| L. Hutchinson | | | | | 3.30 | | | 3.30 |

SCHEDULE OF WAGES PAID EMPLOYEES ON ALL HIGHWAY WORK IN 1948—Con't.

| Name | Chapter 81 | Chapter 90 Construction 1947 | Chapter 90 Construction 1948 | Chapter 90 Maintenance | Snow Removal | General Repairs | Totals |
|----------------------|------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|----------|
| W. Hutchinson | 198.90 | | | 136.00 | 105.87 | | 440.77 |
| F. Irons | | | | | 22.70 | | 22.70 |
| H. Johnson | | | | | 5.78 | | 5.78 |
| T. Keefe | | | | | 4.95 | | 4.95 |
| D. Kempton | | | | | 26.83 | | 26.83 |
| S. Kraft | | 6.80 | 20.40 | 75.65 | 29.75 | | 299.20 |
| A. LaBastie | | | 3.00 | | | | 3.00 |
| E. Lamothe | | 149.60 | 181.05 | | | | 330.65 |
| R. Lemire | 182.75 | 149.60 | 259.25 | 141.53 | 28.90 | 6.80 | 768.83 |
| H. Lowell | | | | | 3.30 | | 3.30 |
| R. Lowell | | | | | 6.19 | | 6.19 |
| M. Mantoni, Jr. | | | | | 24.34 | | 24.34 |
| C. Mathewson | 398.65 | 115.60 | 186.15 | 144.50 | 68.85 | 55.25 | 969.00 |
| A. Meader | | | | | 7.43 | | 7.43 |
| H. Metcalf | 701.00 | 176.00 | 336.00 | 134.00 | 515.60 | 118.80 | 1,981.40 |
| H. Miller | | | | | 7.84 | | 7.84 |
| L. Munhall | | | | | 5.36 | | 5.36 |
| W. Munsell | 308.55 | 150.45 | 103.70 | | 10.20 | 14.45 | 587.35 |
| L. Ouillette | | | | | 9.90 | | 9.90 |
| W. Payce | | | 20.40 | 13.60 | | | 78.20 |
| G. Phipps | 44.20 | | | | 24.14 | | 24.14 |
| R. Phipps | | | | | 9.08 | 3.40 | 12.48 |
| H. Poirier | | 20.40 | | | | | 20.40 |

SCHEDULE OF WAGES PAID EMPLOYEES ON ALL HIGHWAY WORK IN 1948—Con't.

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| Name | Chapter 81 | Chapter 90 Construction | Chapter 90 Construction | Chapter 90 Maintenance | Snow Removal | General Repairs | Totals |
|--------------------|------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|-------------|
| | | 1947 | 1948 | | | | |
| J. Quirk | | | | | 19.80 | | 19.80 |
| W. Randor | | | | | 4.25 | | 4.25 |
| E. Rivers | | 13.60 | | | | | 13.60 |
| E. Rogers | | | | | 17.81 | | 17.81 |
| W. Rogers | | | | | 27.64 | | 27.64 |
| W. Rondeau | | | | | 4.13 | | 4.13 |
| F. Roy | | | 10.00 | | 63.93 | | 73.93 |
| L. Roy | | | | | 4.54 | | 4.54 |
| A. Taft | | | | | 44.56 | | 44.56 |
| R. Temple | 5.00 | 20.00 | 36.25 | | | | 61.25 |
| A. Tetreault | 7.00 | | | | | | 7.00 |
| L. Tetreault | | | | | 2.89 | | 2.89 |
| V. Tetreault | 5.95 | | | | 3.50 | | 9.45 |
| E. Thomas | | | | | 1.24 | | 1.24 |
| P. Twitchell | 3.40 | | | | 29.90 | 6.60 | 39.90 |
| W. Wagner | 5.58 | | | | 9.49 | | 15.07 |
| A. Wiersma | | | | | 45.79 | | 45.79 |
| G. Wiersma | | | | | 1.65 | | 1.65 |
| E. White, Jr. | | | | | 20.21 | | 20.21 |
| R. White | | 125.80 | 246.50 | | | | 372.30 |
| C. Wood | | | | | 47.45 | | 47.45 |
| H. Wood | | | | | 43.33 | 6.60 | 49.93 |
| Totals | \$3,411.68 | \$1,346.15 | \$2,104.75 | \$955.88 | \$2,253.26 | \$440.29 | \$10,512.01 |

SCHEDULE OF AMOUNTS PAID FOR RENTED EQUIPMENT.

| Name | Chapter 81 | Chapter 90 Construction | Chapter 90 Construction | Chapter 90 Maintenance | Snow Removal | General Repairs | Totals |
|--------------------|------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|----------|
| | | 1947 | 1948 | | | | |
| TRUCKS. | | | | | | | |
| D. K. Barnes | \$108.10 | \$2.50 | \$170.00 | | \$54.00 | | \$334.60 |
| R. Carlson | | | | | 7.00 | | 7.00 |
| R. Fagan | 70.40 | | | \$41.80 | | | 112.20 |
| L. Hazard | | | | | 15.00 | | 15.00 |
| R. Gaskill | 395.50 | 247.50 | 334.30 | 79.20 | 320.25 | 2.20 | 1,378.95 |
| H. Lowell | | | | | 7.00 | | 7.00 |
| H. Poirier | | 40.00 | 335.00 | | | | 375.00 |
| N. Rogers | 429.60 | 99.50 | 417.65 | 37.40 | 512.88 | 22.00 | 1,519.03 |
| J. Rosenfeld | | | | | 204.00 | | 204.00 |
| J. White | | | 163.75 | | 2,015.18 | | 2,015.18 |
| White Bros. | | | | | | | 163.75 |
| L. Wiersma | | | | | 230.00 | | 230.00 |
| H. Wood | | | 24.00 | | | | 24.00 |
| USE OF AUTOMOBILE. | | | | | | | |
| W. Bowen | 10.00 | | | | | | 10.00 |

SCHEDULE OF AMOUNTS PAID FOR RENTED EQUIPMENT.

| Name | Chapter 81 | Chapter 90 Construction 1947 | Chapter 90 Construction 1948 | Chapter 90 Maintenance | Snow Removal | General Repairs | Totals |
|---------------------|------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|----------|
| | | | GRADER. | | | | |
| H. Poirier | 231.00 | 99.00 | 418.00 | 308.00 | | | 1,056.00 |
| A. Whitten | | | 285.00 | | | | 285.00 |
| | | | SHOVEL. | | | | |
| H. Poirier | 98.00 | 1,242.00 | 882.00 | 77.00 | | | 2,299.00 |
| | | | BULLDOZER. | | | | |
| H. Poirier | 72.00 | | | | | | 72.00 |
| J. Rosenfield | | | | 23.75 | | | 23.75 |
| | | | COMPRESSOR. | | | | |
| H. Poirier | | | 254.00 | | | | 254.00 |
| | | | ROLLER. | | | | |
| Town of Milford ... | | | 25.50 | | | | 25.50 |
| | | | HORSES. | | | | |
| R. Rogers | | | 20.00 | | | | 20.00 |

SIXTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TRUSTEES OF THE TAFT PUBLIC LIBRARY.

The Trustees of the Taft Public Library present the report of the Librarian and the Financial Report for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1948:

This year Mrs. Lena W. George decided that she didn't feel that she could serve as a Trustee. Mrs. George served several years as Librarian and over 25 years as a Trustee. The Town has been fortunate in having a person who so willingly has given of her time over the years in selecting books to maintain a collection of value to the Town and especially for the school children. We most certainly appreciate the service that Mrs. George has rendered the library.

Miss Nina M. Burr was elected a Trustee and has generously given her time in the selection of the new books this year.

The Trustees wish to thank our librarian, Mrs. Daniels, for continuing the work with the school teachers and pupils.

Respectfully submitted,

VERENA R. DALEY, Secretary,
NINA M. BURR,
HAROLD METCALF,

Library Trustees.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE TAFT PUBLIC LIBRARY:—

The circulation for the year (97 days) was 3,558 volumes. The largest number given out in one day was 74, the smallest, 8; the average, 37. The circulation by classes was as follows: Fiction, 2,819; Magazines, 436; Biography, 38; Travel, 21; History, 42; Literature, 39; all others, 163.

There are 10,420 volumes in the Library. 132 new books have been added, 48 by the Fletcher Fund and 104 by the Town. 26 books were rebound; 20 replaced, and 21 withdrawn.

The library subscribes to the American Magazine, American Home, Atlantic Monthly, Better Homes and Gardens, Boys' Life, Colliers, Good Housekeeping, Ladies' Home Journal, Life, McCalls, National Geographic, Popular Mechanics, Readers Digest, Red Book, Saturday Evening Post, Time, and Woman's Home Companion.

Fines received during the year amounted to \$20.50.

Respectfully submitted,

VESTELLA M. DANIELS,

Librarian.

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

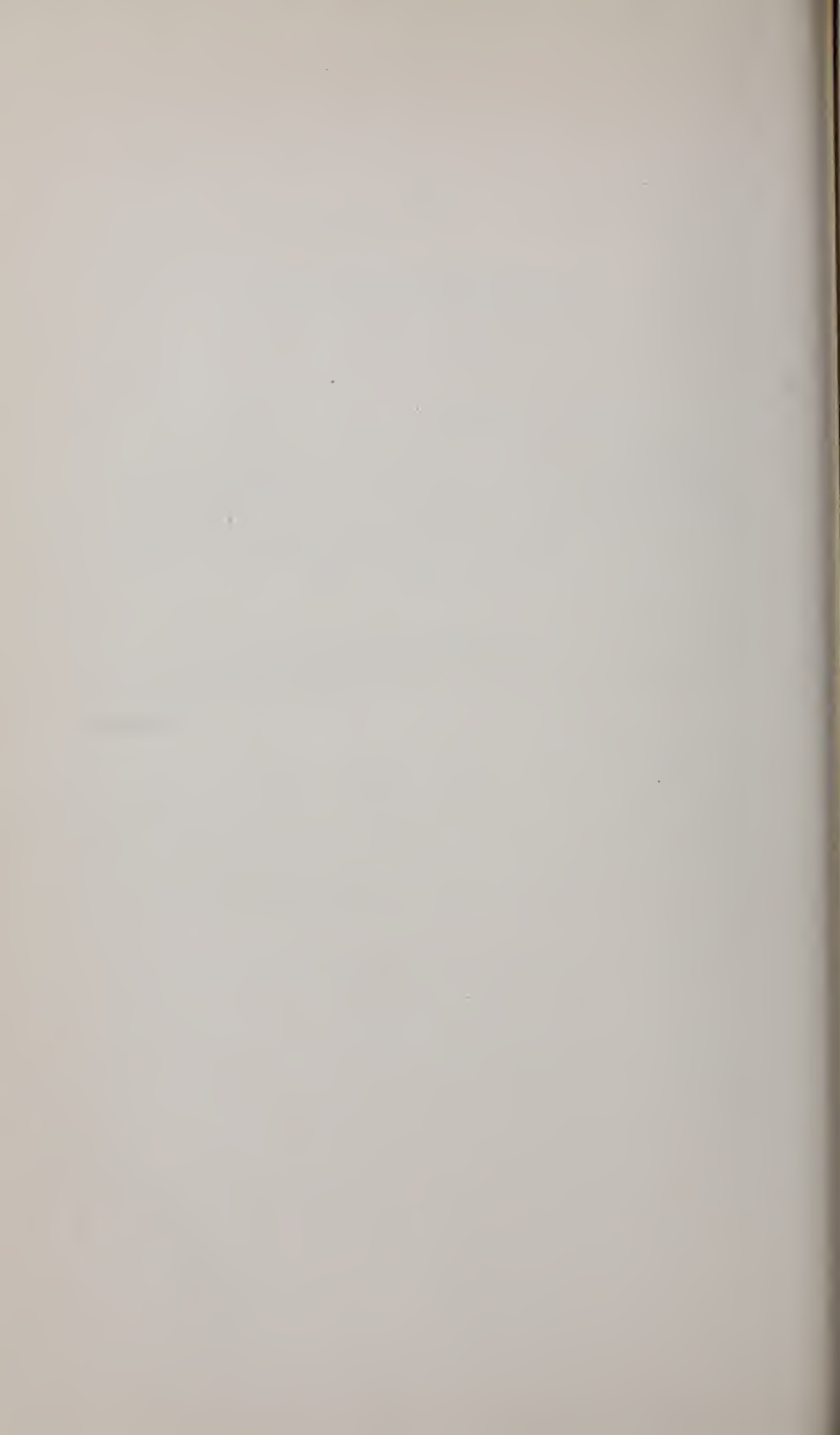
TO THE CITIZENS OF MENDON:

Pursuant to Chapter 41, Section 50, of the General Laws, I have examined and checked the accounts of the various Town Officers receiving and disbursing municipal funds for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1948, and find their accounts correctly cast with vouchers carefully filed.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM A. BARRY,

Auditor.



ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

AND

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

OF THE

TOWN OF MENDON

MASSACHUSETTS

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1948

SCHOOL DIRECTORY 1948—1949.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

| | |
|--|-------------------|
| John L. Lundvall, Chairman | Term Expires 1949 |
| Robert W. Chase, Chairman (Resigned) | Term Expires 1950 |
| Herbert F. Bowen | Term Expires 1949 |
| Gordon R. Good, Secretary | Term Expires 1951 |

Regular meetings held at the Center School building on the fourth Monday of each month at 7.30 P. M.

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS—PERCY L. ROWE, B.S.E., Ed. M.

The Superintendent may be met every Tuesday and Wednesday at the Mendon High School or by appointment.

Office—Center School, Bellingham Center

Office Hours—4 to 5 o'clock P. M. on school days.

Telephone, Office—Milford 152-4

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SCHOOL PHYSICIAN.

K. A. Campbell, M. D. Telephone, Milford, 102

SCHOOL NURSE.

Ruth Manuel, R. N. Milford District Nursing Association

JANITOR.

Raymond Barrows Center School

TRANSPORTATION AGENTS

Harold C. Barrows, Mendon, Mass.

Jesse F. White, Mendon, Mass.

ATTENDANCE OFFICER

Robert Bartlett
Mendon, Mass.

TEACHERS.

| Name | Subject or Grade. | Preparation | Degrees or Yrs. in Town | Yrs. Ser. |
|----------------------------|---|--|-------------------------|-----------|
| Henry P. Clough, Principal | Algebra, French, Geometry, Geography | Dartmouth College and New Hampshire University | B.S. Ed.M. 21st | |
| Raymond F. Biedrzycki | Math., Biology, Science, Physics | Rhode Island State | B.S. Third | |
| Mary C. McCormack | Commercial Ed. History | Regis College | B.S. Fourth | |
| Louise Benotti | Home Economics, History, Hygiene, Geography | Simmons College | B.S. Second | |
| Doris O'Neill | English | Worcester State Tea. Col. | B.S.E. First | |
| Ann deNevers (Resigned) | English | Penn State | B.A. First | |
| Virginia Mayo | Grades 5 and 6 | Bridgewater State Tea. Col. | B.S.E. Fifth | |
| Barbara Seaver | Grades 4 and 5 | Framingham State Tea. Col. | B.S.E. Fourth | |
| Grace Gaskell | Grades 2 and 3 | Framingham State Tea. Col. | Two Tenth | |
| Bertha Hammann | Grade 1 | Rhode Island College | 2½ Third | |

SUPERVISORS.

| Name | Subject | Preparation | Degrees or Yrs. in Town | Yrs. Ser. |
|---------------------|-------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------|-----------|
| Christine Wilson | Music | N. E. Conservatory of Music | Diploma 1948 3 Yrs. | |
| William L. Rinehart | Handwriting | University of Pittsburg | M. A. 1947 | |

SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR PERIOD FROM
JANUARY, 1949 TO JUNE, 1950.

HIGH SCHOOL.

Open January 3, 1949, Close April 15, 1949.

Open April 25, 1949, Close June 17, 1949.

SUMMER VACATION.

Open September 7, 1949, Close December 22, 1949.

Open January 3, 1950, Close April 14, 1950.

Open April 24, 1950, Close June 16, 1950.

ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS.

Close February 18, 1949, Open February 28, 1949.

Otherwise same as High School.

Close June 10, 1949, Close June 9, 1950.

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS.

Washington's Birthday, February 22, 1949.

Memorial Day, May 30, 1949.

Columbus Day, October 12, 1949.

Armistice Day, November 11, 1949.

Thanksgiving Recess, November 24-25, 1949.

AGE OF ADMISSION TO SCHOOL.

Any child who becomes six years of age on or before January first of the year following the term when he wishes to enter school may be admitted into the first grade, but in every case the admission of a child under six shall be dependent upon the fitness of the child to profit by the work of the school, such fitness to be determined by the superintendent. Pupils under seven years of age who have not previously attended school shall not be permitted to enter later than thirty days after the opening of school in September of any school year.

SCHOOL REGULATIONS.

Any complaint or representation which any person desires to make shall be presented or referred in writing to the superintendent of schools, who, in his discretion may bring it before the school committee. In cases of discipline or other school matters relating to their children, parents shall first discuss the matter with the teacher concerned. If for some reason they are not satisfied they will further discuss the matter with the following persons, if necessary, and in the following order: first, the principal of the building and then the superintendent of schools. If, finally, the superintendent has been unable to satisfy the parents, he shall report the case to the school committee for consideration and action.

THE NO SCHOOL SIGNAL.

It is the policy of the school officials to practically abandon the use of the "no school" signal on account of weather conditions. This is in line with what many other cities and towns are doing. The reasons for so doing are that much con-

fusion has resulted from the use of the "no school" signal, and the realization that the loss of even one school day is a very serious one.

However, there may be days when it is advisable to close schools on account of severe weather conditions or other emergency.

Arrangements have been made with Radio Stations WNAC, WBZ, WEAN and WWON to broadcast the fact whenever it is necessary to close the schools. The "no school" signals are usually given before, during or immediately after the news program. The siren will also blow two blasts twice at 7.30 A. M.

If schools do not close on any particularly bad day (rain, snow, or cold) parents are requested, and urged, to use their own judgment in sending their children to school.

SCHOOL FINANCIAL REPORT.

RECEIPTS.

| | | |
|-----------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| General Appropriation | \$39,564 00 | |
| Dog Tax, 1948 | 436 69 | |
| Total Receipts | ————— | \$40,000 69 |
| Total Expenditures | \$39,988 05 | |
| Unexpended Balance | | 12 64 |

REIMBURSEMENTS.

| | | |
|--|------------|-------------|
| General School Fund, Part I | \$1,620 00 | |
| General School Fund, Part II | 4,590 03 | |
| Superintendent: Salary and Transportation | 773 26 | |
| High School Grant (Due in 1948, but will not be paid to town until 1949) | 864 25 | |
| Tuition, Transportation State Wards | 635 12 | |
| Vocational Education | 230 88 | |
| Transportation School Pupils | 4,948 00 | |
| Tuitions | 43 42 | |
| Total Reimbursements | ————— | \$13,704 96 |

TAXATION COST OF SCHOOLS.

| | | |
|----------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Total Expenditures | \$39,988 05 | |
| Reimbursements | 13,704 96 | |
| Net Cost by Taxation | ————— | \$26,283 09 |

EXPENDITURES.

| | |
|--------------------------------|----------|
| School Committee Expense | \$46 00 |
| Census | 35 00 |
| Superintendent's Salary | 1,835 01 |

| | | | |
|---------------------------------------|--------|----|-------------|
| Superintendent's Expense | 199 | 17 | |
| Music Supervisor's Salary | 473 | 00 | |
| Handwriting Supervisor's Salary | 350 | 00 | |
| Teachers' Salaries | 20,483 | 86 | |
| Textbooks | 451 | 22 | |
| School Supplies | 726 | 03 | |
| Wages of Janitor | 2,322 | 14 | |
| Fuel | 1,779 | 97 | |
| Janitors' Supplies | 443 | 79 | |
| Electricity | 337 | 43 | |
| Telephone | 101 | 40 | |
| Repairs | 1,500 | 31 | |
| Health | 464 | 62 | |
| Transportation | 7,222 | 59 | |
| New Equipment | 1,168 | 93 | |
| Teachers' Retirement Board | 47 | 58 | |
| Total Expenditures | <hr/> | | \$39,988 05 |

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

Mendon, Mass.

January 10, 1949.

TO THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE OF MENDON:

GENTLEMEN:

It is with pleasure that I submit to you for your consideration my sixth annual report as Superintendent of Schools in Mendon.

We were fortunate this year in having only one change in the teaching staff. Mrs. deNevers resigned at the close of school in June, and Mrs. Doris O'Neill, of Blackstone, was elected to fill this vacancy in the English Department. Mrs. O'Neill is an experienced teacher, having taught four years in Sutton and Auburn.

Since the untimely death of Mr. Gellatly we have been without a music supervisor. We were extremely fortunate in obtaining the services of Miss Christine Wilson, of Medway, to fill this important position. Miss Wilson has had several years experience in the schools of Medway. She now has a full music schedule, teaching two days in Medway, two in Bellingham, and one in Mendon.

Consequently, we were able to open school in September without an inexperienced faculty member. This is the first time for several years that we have been so fortunate. The cost of education still continues to increase. Salaries have increased and will have to be further increased if we are to

obtain and retain good teachers. The town is to be commended for being able to retain such a large percentage of its teachers.

The general progress of the pupils in all grades has been most satisfactory. A number of new textbooks have been purchased. All pupils in the primary grades have been amply provided with complete reading materials, including textbooks, workbooks, and supplementary material. More new books will be needed next year. We note a general improvement in penmanship. This is the second year we have used the Rinehart Handwriting System, and all work is carefully supervised by Mr. Rinehart and his assistants. The work in music, under the direction of Miss Wilson, has progressed exceptionally well. A new sound projector was purchased early in the fall, enabling us to advance in the field of visual education. Many educational and instructional films have been shown. Late in the year additional sound and recording apparatus was obtained. The educational value of these devices is practically unlimited.

The total school enrollment on October 1, 1948 was exactly the same as in 1947. The following table shows the enrollment on October 1 in both high and elementary grades over a ten-year period.

| | Elementary | High | Total |
|------|------------|------|-------|
| 1948 | 189 | 60 | 249 |
| 1947 | 198 | 51 | 249 |
| 1946 | 189 | 58 | 247 |
| 1945 | 195 | 54 | 249 |
| 1944 | 203 | 59 | 262 |
| 1943 | 221 | 63 | 284 |
| 1942 | 237 | 70 | 307 |
| 1941 | 234 | 64 | 298 |
| 1940 | 212 | 62 | 274 |
| 1939 | 213 | 53 | 263 |

It is interesting to note that in 1945, 1947, and 1948 the enrollment was the same, and in 1946 only two less. This year's first grade class numbered 32, while last year's class numbered 25. If this trend continues, there should be a gradual expansion in the attendance figures.

A very careful school census was taken in October. The distribution of minors as determined by this census, as of October 1, 1948, is given in the following table. Not all pupils counted in the school census would be enrolled in the public schools. There are also pupils over 16 not counted in the distribution of minors who are in school.

DISTRIBUTION OF MINORS OCTOBER 1, 1948.

| | 5 years or over and under 7 | 7 years or over and under 16 |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Boys | 34 | 108 |
| Girls | 25 | 107 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| Total | 59 | 215 |
| | | |
| In public school membership | 33 | 196 |
| In private school membership | 5 | 17 |
| Not enrolled in any school | 21 | 2 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| Total | 59 | 215 |

A campaign for increased financial aid to schools has been going on in Massachusetts since 1945. At the 1948 session of the General Court a new State Aid for Education Bill was passed and enacted as a law. This will increase the amount of reimbursements to the cities and towns of the Commonwealth

from \$5,000,000 to approximately \$15,000,000, effective January 1, 1949. The allotment to each city and town will be determined by a formula which tends to give more liberal allotments to poor cities and towns than to rich ones. No community will receive a smaller allotment under the new plan than under the old, though the allotment will be no larger than formerly in about seventy towns.

Under the old law (Chapter 70) in 1948 Mendon received \$7,074.28. From other sources \$6,630.68 was received, making a total of \$13,704.96 received on account of schools in 1948. Mendon should receive under the new State Aid Law (Chapter 643) in 1949 on account of schools about \$9,000. Reimbursements to the town from other sources should amount to about \$8,000, making a total of approximately \$17,000 that the town should receive in 1949.

A new bill will be introduced in this session of the legislature to increase the amount of state aid from \$15,000,000 to about \$40,000,000. Everyone should give his whole-hearted support to this bill. Massachusetts lags far behind in state support for public schools. In 1949 the state aid for schools will be about 17 percent of the cost of the schools. In about 39 states the 1949 state aid for schools will be more than 17 percent, and in about 8 states the percentage will be less than 17 percent. In other words, Massachusetts will rank about fortieth among the 48 states in respect to this percentage. The median percentage for the 48 states will be about 42 percent. In 1948 the percentage for Massachusetts was about 7 percent. If the new bill is enacted and school aid increased to \$40,000,000, the state aid for schools in Massachusetts would then be about 38 percent of the cost of school support. Massachusetts would then still be about 4 percent under the median of the 48 states, and more than that under the median, if the tendency for the other states to increase their percentage continues.

It seems very likely that the Federal Aid to Schools Bill before the United States Congress in the new session will be the same as, or very much like, the last bill which went through the Senate in the last session, but which never got to a vote on the floor of the House of Representatives. The aim of this bill is to help the states, particularly those in greatest need. The amount involved is \$300,000,000, and no state would receive less than \$5 for each child of school age.

The very important program of health education carried on by the school physician, school nurse, and teaching staff deserves a few words of praise. All are constantly, yet inconspicuously, working to improve the health and welfare of all children. Their work is little noticed, yet extremely important. All are to be commended for the fine results accomplished. Good health is absolutely essential for success in school and the building of good future citizens.

Repair work to be done in 1949 should include painting and redecorating, at least a part of the classrooms, and the lunchroom. No inside painting has been done for many years. Consideration should also be given to improving the heating plant. The tennis courts need resurfacing and work done on the enclosure fence. Attention should also be given to improving the baseball diamond. School desks in several rooms that are very old, badly worn, and very uncomfortable to sit in, need to be replaced.

In addition to the regular plumbing, heating, and electrical work that is necessary each year, the following major repairs have been made: 1. A dry well, which was supposed to catch roof rain water, was eliminated and water pipe was laid and connected directly with the street drain. This will prevent rain water from backing up in the dry well and flooding the basement. 2. A proportional feeder for the water system, a shot feeder for the boiler, and the necessary ap-

paratus and chemicals were purchased and installed during the summer. These devices should do away with much of the corrosion that is constantly occurring in the water pipes throughout the system. 3. Extra leeching pipe was laid from the cesspool. This should take care of the sewage system for years to come.

In concluding I wish to express my sincere thanks for your very generous and able assistance during the year. The excellent cooperation of the Principal, Mr. Clough, the teachers, parents, pupils, friends, and citizens is also deeply appreciated. Better education results by the intelligent, constructive, and cooperative participation of all.

Respectfully submitted,
PERCY L. ROWE,
Superintendent of Schools.

AGE AND GRADE CHART

AGE

Grade

October 1, 1948

| | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | Totals Boys | Totals Girls | Totals | |
|-------|---|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----------------|-----------------|--------|-----|
| I | B | 5 | 13 | 2 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 20 | ... | ... | |
| | G | 3 | 9 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 12 | 32 | |
| II | B | ... | 2 | 5 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 7 | ... | ... | |
| | G | ... | 5 | 9 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 14 | 21 | |
| III | B | ... | ... | 2 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 11 | ... | ... | |
| | G | ... | ... | 7 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 7 | 18 | |
| IV | B | ... | ... | 7 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 12 | ... | ... | |
| | G | ... | ... | 1 | 6 | 3 | 1 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 10 | ... | 22 | |
| V | B | ... | ... | 1 | 8 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 10 | ... | 22 | |
| | G | ... | ... | ... | 4 | 5 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 11 | ... | 22 | |
| VI | B | ... | ... | ... | 2 | 8 | 1 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 11 | ... | 22 | |
| | G | ... | ... | ... | ... | 3 | 6 | 2 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 20 | |
| VII | B | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 4 | 4 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 11 | ... | ... | |
| | G | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 4 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 27 | |
| VIII | B | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 3 | 12 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 18 | ... | ... | |
| | G | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 3 | 6 | 7 | 1 | 2 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 27 | |
| IX | B | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 4 | 8 | 1 | ... | ... | 14 | ... | ... | |
| | G | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 7 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 23 | |
| X | B | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 5 | 1 | ... | ... | 5 | ... | ... | |
| | G | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 4 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | 7 | 12 | |
| XI | B | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 3 | ... | ... | 3 | ... | ... | |
| | G | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 7 | ... | ... | ... | 10 | 13 | |
| XII | B | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| | G | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 3 | 6 | 1 | ... | 9 | 12 | |
| Total | | 8 | 29 | 18 | 16 | 22 | 20 | 17 | 27 | 19 | 22 | 24 | 18 | 8 | 1 | 125 | 124 | 249 |
| Boys | | 5 | 15 | 9 | 8 | 12 | 11 | 9 | 7 | 10 | 14 | 15 | 7 | 2 | 1 | 125 | ... | ... |
| Girls | | 3 | 14 | 9 | 8 | 10 | 9 | 8 | 20 | 9 | 8 | 9 | 11 | 6 | ... | ... | 124 | ... |

REPORT OF HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL.

To Mr. Percy L. Rowe,
Superintendent of Schools:—

I herewith submit the annual report of the Mendon High and Center School for the year ending December 31, 1948.

The teaching staff has had but one change during the past year. The stability of school routine, system, and procedure which an experienced faculty provides has contributed greatly to good school operation.

The High School has been rated a Class A school by the Massachusetts State Department of Education for the year 1948. This rating is most gratifying to all connected with the school and is a challenge and an inspiration for the best work possible. At the present time, there is in process of development and adoption by the State Department a new set of criteria for rating Massachusetts high schools. Present ratings may, and in a large number of cases, will change when the new bases of judgment are finally approved and made effective.

The registration figures for the building are as follows: Grade I—34; Grade II—23; Grade III—20; Grade IV—23; Grade V—24; Grade VI—20; Grade VII—31; Grade VIII—26; Grade IX—21; Grade X—12; Grade XI—13; Grade XII—12.

A comparison of these figures with those of a year ago shows that there are no significant changes in school enrollment, except for a substantial increase in the membership of the first grade.

Graduation exercises of the Class of 1948 were held June 17, 1948.

Members of the class were: Herbert L. Johnson; Robert W. McTurk, Russell E. Phipps, Beatrice L. Tetreault, Evelyn C. Wandres, Ann C. Watson, and Herbert Wood. The Mendon High School Alumni Medal was won by Russell E. Phipps, and the Daughters of the American Revolution Good Citizenship Award by Beatrice L. Tetreault.

The annual prize speaking program was given January 23, 1948 at the Mendon Town Hall. The following pupils took part in the contest: Gertrude Oppewal, Lorna F. Wagner, Ronald T. Lowell, Sylvia M. Harvey, Richard M. Watson, Jacqueline M. Curley, Shirley B. Keefe. The prize winners were: Ronald T. Lowell—First Prize; Shirley B. Keefe—Second Prize; Jacqueline M. Curley—Third Prize.

The Senior Play, "A Case of Springtime," was presented very successfully on the evening of December 17, 1948 at the Town Hall. The proceeds of the affair were added to the Washington Trip Fund.

The Washington Trip remains an important feature of the high school senior year. The trip has acquired the standing of a school tradition. For a long period of time, except for a few years during the war, the senior classes have had the very fine opportunity and privilege of making the trip during the annual spring vacation. It has been one of the high points in the experience of most high school students and has contributed greatly to their general experience and education. Higher costs in transportation and lodging have raised the cost of the trip. It is quite possible that the time is not far off when the use which is made of the Washington Trip by our school pupils will be much more carefully weighed in the balance. The effort and financial backing of the com-

munity which are involved in raising the necessary funds deserve the sincere gratitude of each class. The necessity of dropping the Washington Trip from school activities would be a serious loss to the young people of Mendon.

Recent additions to school equipment include a new sound motion picture projector, a record player and amplifier combination, and a wire recorder. These units will provide educational possibilities which far exceed those available in the past in the field of visual education, educational radio broadcasts, record transcriptions, and voice recordings. Together they represent a most progressive step in providing modern facilities in some of the newer techniques of education.

The school lunch program continues into its second year of operation under the direction of the Mendon Parent-Teacher Association. A large and constant patronage by the pupils of the school demonstrates that it is making a highly successful contribution in the welfare of school pupils.

Parents are urged to confer with the teachers and principal whenever there is any question relative to pupil progress, discipline, or any matter in which there should be complete understanding between the home and the school.

In conclusion, I wish to express my deep appreciation and that of the teaching staff for the cooperation and assistance of the Superintendent of Schools, Mr. Rowe, the School Committee, the Parent-Teacher Association, and the townspeople of Mendon.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY P. CLOUGH,

Principal.

MUSIC SUPERVISOR'S ANNUAL REPORT.

To Mr. Percy L. Rowe,
Superintendent of Schools:—

The aim of music in the public schools is first of all intended to create a love and appreciation of music on the part of the child. This objective is arrived at in a threefold manner—through voice culture, proper interpretation, and music reading.

By voice culture we do not mean the scientific training of the voice for solo work. We mean the producing of a good tone, which we achieve by stressing correct posture, open throat, loose tongue, relaxed chin, and resonance. We are finding in some instances, a long hard task in getting head tones to replace the tone “way down in your shoes.”

Proper interpretation is a memory process and is taught best by imitation and suggestion. This is based on an intelligent appreciation of the moods, structure and notation of music.

Music reading is a theoretical or technical work. It is not a memory process. It is taught by a pedagogic plan or arrangement of rhythm patterns and tone and by a knowledge of chromatics.

I would like to express my appreciation for having been appointed Supervisor of Music Education in the Mendon Schools. I find the teachers most willing to cooperate with me and it is to their ability and conscientiousness that I pay tribute. The assistance of the teachers and of Mr. Rowe has made my work a pleasure.

Respectfully submitted,
CHRISTINE M. WILSON,
Supervisor of Music.

SCHOOL NURSE'S ANNUAL REPORT

To Mr. Percy L. Rowe,
Superintendent of Schools:—

As is customary, the Mendon School was visited once per week; and the following is a summary of the work done at the weekly visits in Center school in Mendon, by the school nurse.

In early spring, a series of three tox-oid clinics were held at which 11 children received the booster dose and four babies the three regular doses, from Dr. Campbell, the school physician. A nurse also assisted him with the physical examinations, at which the following defects were noted and parents notified:

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|--------------------------------|----|
| Enlarged tonsils | 12 |
| Defective teeth | 24 |
| Wax in ears | 9 |
| Enlarged cervical glands | 4 |
| Heart Murmurs | 5 |

The children were weighed three times and reports were sent out to parents.

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| Pupils transported home from school when necessary | 12 |
| Physical examinations | 189 |
| Clean inspection | 263 |
| Classroom inspection | 193 |

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|----------------------------------|-----|
| Treated for minor ailments | 18 |
| Home visits | 59 |
| Talks with teachers | 136 |

Home conditions were checked and clothing brought to needy families.

We had a few cases of communicable diseases: mumps, measles were reported and checked and one case of scabies was watched closely. Two cases of chicken pox were reported this Fall.

During the summer months, the usual home visits were made on children entering the first grade. The histories were taken and diseases noted for the physical health cards.

In closing, may I express my gratitude to Mr. Rowe, Mr. Clough and all the teachers, for their courtesy and co-operation. I would also like to thank the school committee, the board of health and the parents for their support.

Respectfully submitted,
 RUTH G. MANUEL, R. N.,
 School Nurse.
 GRACE MORAN, R. N.,
 Supervisor.

REPORT OF VISION TESTS.

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| Number of Pupils Tested for Vision | 253 |
| Number of Pupils Found with Defective Vision | 12 |
| Number of Parents Notified | 12 |

MENDON HIGH SCHOOL PRIZE SPEAKING CONTEST

FRIDAY, JANUARY 23, 1948.

1. Sisters In Law Black
Gertrude Oppewal
2. Beauty Is Skin Deep George
Lorna F. Wagner
3. Song—Thine Alone Herbert
Evelyn C. Wandres
4. Submerged Shaw
Ronald T. Lowell
5. The Death of the Hired Man Frost
Sylvia M. Harvey
6. Song—Serenade of the Bells Troomey
Ann C. Watson
7. America and World Communism Luce
Richard M. Mattson
8. Nocturne Black
Jacqueline M. Curley
9. Song—With a Song in My Heart Rodgers
Ann C. Watson and Evelyn C. Wandres

10. It's a Wise Brother Who Knows His Own Sister .. Benson
Shirley B. Keefe
11. Song—Pass That Peace Pipe Edens
Ann C. Watson and Evelyn C. Wandres
12. Decision of Judges

GRADUATION EXERCISES OF MENDON HIGH SCHOOL

UNITARIAN CHURCH
THURSDAY, JUNE 17, 1948.

PROGRAM

Processional—March of the Priests Mendelssohn
Mrs. Bertha B. Rogers

Invocation

Rev. Richard Slater

Address of Welcome and Essay—

Education, the Hope of the World
Ann C. Watson

Song—America, the Beautiful Ward
High School Chorus

Essay—The Brain and Pulse of a Nation
Evelyn D. Wandres

Song—Moonlight Serenade Drigo
High School Chorus

Essay—Science in a Changing Era
Russell E. Phipps

Song—A Perfect Day Carrie Jacobs-Bond
High School Chorus

Essay—An Air Strength for Peace

Herbert L. Johnson

Award and Diploma Presentation

Mr. Robert W. Chase,
Chairman of School Committee

Star Spangled Banner

Benediction

Rev. Richard Slater

Recessional—Pomp and Circumstance Elgar

Mrs. Bertha B. Rogers

GRADUATES OF MENDON HIGH SCHOOL

CLASS OF 1948.

Herbert L. Johnson

Russell E. Phipps

Robert W. McTurk

Beatrice L. Tetreault

Evelyn C. Wandres

Ann C. Watson

Herbert S. Wood

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Mendon, Massachusetts.

January 10, 1949.

TO THE CITIZENS OF THE TOWN OF MENDON:

Another year has passed and it is with gratitude for your loyal support and interest in the Mendon school system that the School Committee take this opportunity to make a brief report to you.

It was with deep regret that the resignation of Mr. Robert Chase had to be accepted when he moved to Uxbridge.

Mr. Herbert Bowen was chosen by the selectmen and the remaining members of the School Committee to succeed Mr. Robert Chase until the annual election in March 1949.

Adequate roof drainage was provided on the north side of the school by piping directly to the highway drainage system thus eliminating the dry well problem that was constantly letting water overflow into the school basement.

Chemical action is being injected into our water and boiler systems to reduce the excessive corrosive characteristics of the hard water that is in the school well. This has already begun to reduce repair costs and eventually will bring them to a minimum. The maintenance cost of this system is moderate.

The seemingly endless spiral of increasing cost of materials and supplies compel the School Committee to request a

15% increase in our budget over last year. However, the much larger reimbursement from the State will take care of nearly all of this increase so that the net cost by taxation will be about the same as last year.

There has been an average increase in the costs of supplies of 50% within the past two years so we trust that you understand the acute problem we are constantly facing in financial matters.

We are proud of our teaching faculty and we are doing all we can to promote their desire to stay in Mendon by bringing modern equipment into the school system in order that teaching and learning may be interesting, pleasant, instructive and up to date.

Education has come to a critical stage in our present day that is alarming due to the lack of teachers. A recent census shows that 350,000 teachers have left the American public schools since 1940. 70,000 teaching positions left unfilled. 2,000,000 school age children are not in school. We must not let this disaster strike here in Mendon. By your loyal support, interest and suggestions it will not.

Pupils of today will be Parents of tomorrow and by our continual effort in their behalf they shall not be denied the educational facilities that they are entitled to have to provide for their children as we have made available for them.

Our noble heritage will not find Mendon wanting in the pages of future history and the many newcomers to our town attest to the spirit of our ever going forward.

We appreciate the zest with which Principal Clough has tackled the operation of technical equipment recently acquired for the school in the visual and sound fields.

The faithful and loyal service and cooperation rendered by Superintendent Rowe, Principal Clough, our Teaching Staff, Mr. Raymond Barrows, Mr. Harold Barrows and Mr. Jesse White is gratefully appreciated by the School Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN LUNDVALL, Chairman,
GORDON GOOD, Secretary,
HERBERT BOWEN,

Mendon School Committee.

TOWN WARRANT

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

Worcester, ss.

To the Constable of the Town of Mendon in the County of
Worcester, Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Mendon qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs to meet at the Town Hall in said Mendon on Monday, the seventh day of March A. D., 1949, punctually at 9 o'clock A. M., to act on the following articles, 1 and 2. Article 3 and all following Articles on this Warrant will be acted upon Friday, the eleventh day of March at 7 P. M.

Article 1. To choose a moderator to preside over said meeting.

Article 2. To bring in their ballots for the following Town Officers:

- One Town Clerk for one year;
- One Selectman for three years;
- One Assessor for three years;
- One Town Treasurer for one year;
- One Tax Collector for three years;
- One Auditor for one year;
- One Constable for one year;
- One Tree Warden for one year;

One Trustee of the Taft Public Library
for two years;

One Member of the School Committee
for three years;

One Member of the School Committee for one year;

One Park Commissioner for three years;

One Highway Surveyor for one year;

One Water Commissioner for three years;

all on one ballot designating the office intended for each person voted for.

Article 3. To hear the reports of the several Town Officers and Committees and act thereon.

Article 4. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

Article 5. To appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town expenses for the financial year beginning January 1, 1949.

(This is not a complete Warrant.)



In Memoriam

MATHEW M. MANTONI

October 12, 1910

January 11, 1950

In the passing of our beloved Chief of Police during the performance of his duty, Mendon has suffered a grievous loss. It has been said that no one is indispensable; yet it will be a long time before the Town will be able to replace him.

He was cool, brave, and firm. Yet too, he was friendly, lenient, and kindly. He was a big man physically; he was a big man mentally. Above all, he was a family man, who loved his wife and children. A man with all *his* qualities one cannot find every day.



CHIEF MATHEW M. MANTONI

ANNUAL REPORTS
OF THE
TOWN OFFICERS
OF THE
TOWN OF MENDON
INCLUDING THE REPORT OF THE
SCHOOL COMMITTEE
FOR THE
Municipal Year Ending December 31, 1949
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TOWN OF MENDON.

Town of Mendon Incorporated May 15, 1667.

Population 1504, 1945 Census.

Registered Voters in 1949: Men, 403; Women, 371; Total, 774.

Annual Election: First Monday in March.

Annual Meeting: First Friday Evening after the first Monday in March.

County Commissioners:

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| Francis E. Cassidy, Chairman | Webster |
| George W. Jones | Worcester |
| P. Eugene Casey | Milford |

Fourteenth Congressional District:

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| Congressman, Joseph William Martin, Jr. | |
| | North Attleboro |

Fourth Senatorial District:

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| Senator, Joseph E. Gibney | Webster |
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Ninth Worcester Representative District:

Representatives General Court:

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|---------------------------|------------|
| Peter F. Fitzgerald | Blackstone |
| Charles Mullaly, Jr. | Millville |

Sheriff for Worcester County:

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| William A. Bennett | Worcester |
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TOWN OFFICERS.

SELECTMEN.

(Selectmen serve as Board of Public Welfare
Board of Health and Fence Viewers).

D. Victor Smith Harold Metcalf Harold J. Fairbanks

TOWN CLERK.

Albert S. Coleman

TOWN TREASURER.

Silas H. Dudley

TAX COLLECTOR.

Arthur P. Dalton

ASSESSORS.

Donald B. Lowell D. Kinsley Barnes
Charles F. Leonard, Clerk

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Herbert Bowen Gordon R. Good John L. Lundvall

TRUSTEES OF TAFT PUBLIC LIBRARY.

D. Victor Smith Percy Rowe Nina M. Burr
Henry P. Clough Gordon Good, Clerk

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS.

Asa Vear

Joseph W. McEwen

Fred L. Kempton

Albert S. Coleman, Clerk

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Franklin E. Goodnow

Roy A. Barrows

Lee P. McFarland

PARK COMMISSIONERS.

Norry J. Daige

George A. Johnson

Fred Phipps

Chief of Police Mathew M. Mantoni

Constable Mathew M. Mantoni

Tree Warden William E. Nuttall

Town Solicitor Shelley D. Vincent

Dog Officer Mathew M. Mantoni

Public Weigher Martha Dudley

Sealer of Weights and Measures Clyde Saunders

Superintendent of Schools Percy Rowe

Fire Chief and Forest Warden Harold F. Lowell

Superintendent of Streets William R. Bowen

Burial Agent Norry J. Daige

Inspectors of Slaughtering Frank Phillips
Willard Seibert

Inspector of Animals Roy Barrows

Town Accountant Helen F. Irons

WATER COMMISSIONERS.

Franklin Goodnow Everett Watson Donato Leone

SURVEYORS OF WOOD AND BARK.

Arthur V. Pond Carl Wagner

FIELD DRIVERS.

Alex Woleck Edward Goss W. Arthur Robinson

FINANCIAL REPORTS.

MODERATOR—SALARY.

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|----------------------|---------|
| Appropriation | \$10 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Roy A. Barrows | \$10 00 |

SELECTMEN—SALARIES.

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|---------------------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$550 00 |
| Expended: | |
| D. Victor Smith | \$233 33 |
| Harold J. Fairbanks | 150 00 |
| Harold Metcalf | 166 67 |
| Total Expended | \$550 00 |

SELECTMEN—EXPENSES.

| | |
|---|----------|
| Appropriation | \$150 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Postage | \$12 66 |
| Printing and Stationery | 37 73 |
| Advertising licenses, bids, etc. | 42 00 |
| Delivering Town Reports | 15 00 |
| Dues to State and County Asso. | 27 00 |
| Expenses to Selectmen's Asso. meetings | 5 50 |
| Miscellaneous supplies | 10 00 |
| Total Expended | \$149 89 |
| Unexpended | 11 |
| | \$150 00 |

TREASURER—SALARY.

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| Appropriation | \$350 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Silas H. Dudley | \$350 00 |

TREASURER—EXPENSES.

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| Appropriation | \$159 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Postage | \$41 50 |
| Forms and stationery | 44 05 |
| Dues to State Asso. | 1 00 |
| Check books | 34 10 |
| Certification of note | 2 00 |
| Preparing Schedule A | 15 00 |
| Miscellaneous supplies | 16 57 |
| Total expended | \$154 22 |
| Unexpended | 4 78 |
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| | \$159 00 |

TOWN ACCOUNTANT—SALARY.

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| Appropriation | \$300 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Helen F. Irons | \$300 00 |

TOWN ACCOUNTANT—EXPENSE.

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|----------------------------|---------|
| Appropriation | \$25 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Comm. of Mass., forms.... | \$7 70 |
| Cahill's News Agency, sup- | |
| plies | 1 85 |
| Postage | 2 62 |
| Total expended | \$12 17 |
| Unexpended | 12 83 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$25 00 |

AUDITOR'S SALARY.

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| Appropriation | \$25 00 |
| Expended: | |
| William A. Barry | \$25 00 |

TOWN CLERK—SALARY.

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| Appropriation | \$200 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Albert S. Coleman | \$200 00 |

TOWN CLERK—EXPENSE.

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| Appropriation | \$500 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Adding machine | \$89 50 |
| Forms | 23 45 |
| Recording fees | 62 00 |
| Postage | 7 25 |
| Binding records | 34 75 |
| Moving safe | 19 00 |
| Swearing in Town Officers | 7 50 |
| Toll calls | 3 00 |
| Expense to Town Clerk's | |
| meetings | 60 59 |
| Miscellaneous supplies | 20 85 |
| Total expended | \$327 89 |
| Unexpended | 172 11 |
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| | \$500 00 |

TAX COLLECTOR—SALARY.

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| Appropriation | \$875 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Arthur P. Dalton, Collector | \$875 00 |

TAX COLLECTOR—EXPENSE.

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| Appropriation | | \$200 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Stationery | \$37 00 | |
| Forms and supplies | 75 31 | |
| Postage | 61 00 | |
| Deputy Collector's Bond .. | 5 00 | |
| Dues to State Asso. | 1 00 | |
| Total expended | <hr/> | \$179 31 |
| Unexpended | | 20 69 |
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| | | \$200 00 |

ASSESSORS—SALARIES

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| Appropriation | | \$650 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Charles F. Leonard, Clerk | \$250 00 | |
| D. Kinsley Barnes | 200 00 | |
| Carl Taft | 50 00 | |
| Donald B. Lowell | 150 00 | |
| Total expended | <hr/> | \$650 00 |

ASSESSORS—EXPENSE

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|------------------------------|--------|----------|
| Appropriation | | \$300 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Tax tables | \$2 00 | |
| Deed Abstracts | 119 85 | |
| Forms and binders | 83 87 | |
| Dues to State and County | | |
| Asso. | 6 00 | |
| Expenses to County Meet- | | |
| ings | 19 75 | |
| Postage | 11 70 | |
| Carl Taft, use of auto | 20 00 | |
| Miscellaneous supplies | 75 | |
| Total expended | <hr/> | \$263 92 |

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| Unexpended | 36 08 | |
| | <hr/> | \$300 00 |

ELECTIONS AND REGISTRATIONS.

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| Appropriation | | \$700 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Payrolls, Ballot Clerks and | | |
| Tellers | \$61 20 | |
| Payrolls, Listing and | | |
| Clerical | 145 15 | |
| Printing and stationery | 52 88 | |
| Advertising warrant | 36 00 | |
| Registrars' salaries | 100 00 | |
| Votometer | 12 23 | |
| Total expended | <hr/> | \$407 46 |
| Unexpended | 292 54 | |
| | <hr/> | \$700 00 |

TOWN COUNSEL—SALARY.

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| Appropriation | \$100 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Shelley D. Vincent | \$100 00 |

TOWN COUNSEL—EXPENSE.

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| Appropriation | \$75 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Shelley D. Vincent, confer- | |
| ences and expenses | \$75 00 |

CLERICAL HIRE FOR TOWN OFFICERS.

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|----------------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$300 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Helen F. Irons | \$299 70 |
| Unexpended | 30 |
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| | \$300 00 |

TOWN OFFICERS' BONDS.

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| Appropriation | \$126 75 |
| Expended: | |
| Karl A. Bright | \$126 75 |

TOWN HALL MAINTENANCE.

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|--------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Appropriation | \$600 00 |
| Transferred from Insurance on Town | |
| Buildings | 112 40 |
| Total | <u>\$712 40</u> |
| Expended: | |
| Electric clock | \$12 95 |
| Janitor's salary | 360 00 |
| Janitor's supplies | 31 41 |
| Extra labor | 10 00 |
| Rain gutters | 83 97 |
| Bottled gas | 39 00 |
| Emergency lights and exit signs | 89 50 |
| Lester Hill, installation of lights | 60 21 |
| Flag | 20 36 |
| Tuning piano | 5 00 |
| Total expended | <u>\$712 40</u> |

TOWN HALL IMPROVEMENTS, (1947.)

| | |
|-----------------------------------|---------|
| Balance January 1, 1949 | \$90 20 |
| Expended: | |
| C. L. Goss, labor and material on | |
| rain gutters | \$90 20 |

TOWN HALL SANITARY AND HEATING FACILITIES.

| | |
|---|-------------------|
| Appropriation | \$6,000 00 |
| Transferred from Heat and Lights | 300 00 |
| Transferred from Board of Health | 470 04 |
| Transferred from Sidewalk Project | 229 96 |
| Total | <u>\$7,000 00</u> |

Expended:

| | | |
|---|------------|------------|
| William L. Power & Son, plumbing | \$2,400 00 | |
| C. L. Goss, contract | 2,000 00 | |
| Lester Hill, wiring | 34 73 | |
| Total expended | ————— | \$4,434 73 |
| Unexpended | 2,565 27 | |
| | ————— | \$7,000 00 |

RECORD ROOM MAINTENANCE.

Appropriation \$500 00

Expended:

| | | |
|--|----------|----------|
| Royal Typewriter Co. | \$131 75 | |
| Janitor service | 50 00 | |
| Fuel | 130 03 | |
| Lights | 11 12 | |
| Telephone | 85 91 | |
| Refinishing floor, labor and material | 62 71 | |
| Cleaning and repairing oil burner | 12 50 | |
| Miscellaneous supplies | 3 14 | |
| Total expended | ————— | \$487 16 |
| Unexpended | 12 84 | |
| | ————— | \$500 00 |

HEAT AND LIGHT—TOWN BUILDINGS.

TOWN HALL, FIRE STATION AND HIGHWAY BARN.

Appropriation \$2,200 00

Expended:

General Fuel & Heating

Co. \$1,246 14

Worcester Suburban

Elec. Co. 144 26

————— \$1,390 40

| | | |
|--------------------------|-------------------|------------|
| Transferred to Public | | |
| Welfare | 400 00 | |
| Transferred to Town | | |
| Hall Heating and | | |
| Sanitary facilities | 300 00 | |
| Total expended | <u>\$2,090 40</u> | |
| Unexpended | 109 60 | |
| | <u> </u> | \$2,200 00 |

CONSTABLE—SALARY.

| | |
|----------------------|---------|
| Appropriation | \$25 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Mathew Mantoni | \$25 00 |

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

| | |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Appropriation | \$1,000 00 |
| Transferred from Reserve Fund | 26 11 |
| Total | <u>\$1,026 11</u> |
| Expended: | |
| Police pay rolls | \$776 98 |
| Emergency lights | 30 42 |
| First aid kits | 18 00 |
| Toll calls | 32 23 |
| Mileage | 144 05 |
| Prisoners' lunches | 1 90 |
| Badges | 14 03 |
| Accident photos | 8 50 |
| Total expended | <u>\$1,026 11</u> |

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

| | |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Appropriation | \$1,000 00 |
| Transferred from Reserve Fund | 665 63 |
| Total | <u>\$1,665 63</u> |
| Expended: | |
| Pay rolls | \$537 00 |

| | | |
|---------------------------------|--------|------------------|
| Gas masks | 49 50 | |
| Emergency lights | 32 02 | |
| Test blowing | 50 00 | |
| Farrer & Co., equipment | 294 45 | |
| Repairs to apparatus | 67 36 | |
| Worcester Sub. Elec. Co. | 35 00 | |
| Gasoline, oil, tires, etc. | 147 68 | |
| Supplies for station | 74 70 | |
| Harold Lowell, salary | 100 00 | |
| Wiring alarm system | 82 68 | |
| Janitor | 8 80 | |
| Telephone | 126 77 | |
| Desk | 58 95 | |
| Expended | | \$1,664 91 |
| Unexpended | | 72 |
| | | <hr/> \$1,665 63 |

FOREST FIRE DEPARTMENT.

| | | |
|----------------------------|---------|----------------|
| Appropriation | | \$500 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Forest Warden | \$25 00 | |
| Gasoline | 1 62 | |
| Siren repairs | 22 25 | |
| Cleaning water holes | 18 00 | |
| Flood lights | 209 50 | |
| Pay rolls | 147 60 | |
| Repairs to equipment | 12 75 | |
| Total expended | | \$436 72 |
| Unexpended | | 63 28 |
| | | <hr/> \$500 00 |

HYDRANT RENTAL.

| | |
|----------------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$500 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Town of Mendon | \$500 00 |

FIRE STATION CONSTRUCTION.

| | |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Balance on hand January 1, 1949 | \$10,908 37 |
| Sale of Old Fire Station | 1 00 |
| Transferred from Reserve Fund | 323 73 |
| Total | <u>\$11,233 10</u> |

Expended:

| | |
|------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Carlton Goss, payments on contract | \$5,862 56 |
| Paint | 45 00 |
| Building inspection | 5 00 |
| Niro & Niro, contract | 5,217 74 |
| Milford Sign Studio | 62 00 |
| Richard Gaskill, filling | 40 80 |
| Total expended | <u>\$11,233 10</u> |

FIREPROOFING BOILER ROOM.

| | |
|---------------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$250 00 |
| Expended: | |
| C. L. Goss | \$250 00 |

DOG OFFICER.

| | |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|
| Appropriation | \$30 00 |
| Transferred from Reserve Fund | 21 00 |
| Total | <u>\$51 00</u> |

Expended:

| | |
|---|----------------|
| Mathew Mantoni, salary | \$10 00 |
| Mathew Mantoni, boarding 6 dogs | 27 00 |
| Mathew Mantoni, destroying 7 dogs | 14 00 |
| Total expended | <u>\$51 00</u> |

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

| | |
|----------------------|---------|
| Appropriation | \$45 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Clyde Saunders | \$45 00 |

PUBLIC WEIGHER.

| | | |
|--------------------------|--------|---------|
| Appropriation | | \$20 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Martha Dudley, 38 weigh- | | |
| ings @ 20c | \$7 60 | |
| Padlock for scales | 1 25 | |
| Total expended | <hr/> | \$8 85 |
| Unexpended | | 11 15 |
| | <hr/> | \$20 00 |

ELIMINATION OF HAY SCALES

| | | |
|--------------------------|---------|----------|
| Appropriation | | \$200 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Advertising | \$10 05 | |
| Richard Gaskill, removal | | |
| of scales | 188 00 | |
| Total expended | <hr/> | \$198 05 |
| Unexpended | | 1 95 |
| | <hr/> | \$200 00 |

BOARD OF HEALTH.

| | | |
|-----------------------------|---------|------------|
| Appropriation | | \$1,500 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Dr. Campbell, clinic ser- | | |
| vices | \$50 00 | |
| District Nursing Asso. | 75 00 | |
| Pondville Hospital | 3 00 | |
| Private Nursing Care | 8 00 | |
| Willard Seibert, meat in- | | |
| spections | 3 00 | |
| A. Woleck, rent and labor | | |
| on Town Dump | 305 00 | |
| Use of bulldozer for dump | 108 00 | |
| Soda water permit | 10 00 | |
| Sargeant's Ambulance ser- | | |
| vice | 50 00 | |

| | | |
|--|--------|------------|
| Sodium Fluorine treatments, 1st grade | 175 00 | |
| Cleaning and repairs to town pump | 94 30 | |
| Total expended | | \$881 30 |
| Transferred to Town Hall Heating & Sanitary Facilities | | 470 04 |
| | | <hr/> |
| | | \$1,351 34 |
| Unexpended | | 148 66 |
| | | <hr/> |
| | | \$1,500 00 |

TREE WARDEN.

| | | |
|------------------------------|---------|----------|
| Appropriation | | \$250 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| William Nuttall, salary | \$10 00 | |
| Pay rolls: | | |
| William Nuttall | 80 00 | |
| William Munsell | 57 60 | |
| George Blanchard | 96 00 | |
| Total expended | | \$245 60 |
| Unexpended | | 4 40 |
| | | <hr/> |
| | | \$250 00 |

ELM BEETLE SUPPRESSION.

| | |
|------------------------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$500 00 |
| Expended: | |
| P. A. Millis, spraying | \$500 00 |

MOTH SUPPRESSION.

| | |
|------------------------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$200 00 |
| Expended: | |
| William Nuttall | \$30 00 |
| P. A. Millis, spraying | 170 00 |
| Total expended | <hr/> |
| | \$200 00 |

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS.

| | |
|---------------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$150 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Roy Barrows | \$150 00 |

INSPECTORS OF SLAUGHTERING.

| | |
|-----------------------|---------------|
| Appropriation | \$25 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Frank Phillips | \$12 50 |
| Willard Seibert | 12 50 |
| Total expended | <hr/> \$25 00 |

WORCESTER COUNTY HOSPITAL.

| | |
|----------------------------------|------------|
| Appropriation | \$1,745 56 |
| Expended: | |
| Worcester County Treasurer | \$1,745 56 |

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT.

GENERAL REPAIRS.

| | |
|----------------------------|------------------|
| Appropriation | \$1,500 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Labor | \$411 55 |
| Equipment | 99 88 |
| Supplies and materials ... | 872 16 |
| Dynamite | 11 86 |
| Patch | 11 70 |
| Telephone | 88 36 |
| Total expended | <hr/> \$1,495 51 |
| Unexpended | 4 49 |
| | <hr/> \$1,500 00 |

CHAPTER 90 MAINTENANCE.

(Including Providence Street.)

| | |
|--------------------------|------------|
| Town Appropriation | \$2,000 00 |
| State Allotment | 1,500 00 |

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|--------------------------|------------|------------|
| County Allotment | 1,500 00 | |
| Total | | \$5,000 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Labor | \$645 10 | |
| Town equipment | 161 85 | |
| Hired equipment: | | |
| Grader | 264 00 | |
| Trucks | 345 80 | |
| Materials: | | |
| Trimount Bituminous Pro- | | |
| ducts | 1,177 39 | |
| Rosenfeld Sand & Stone | | |
| Co. | 642 50 | |
| Barrett Company | 1,404 71 | |
| H. A. Daniels, insurance | 23 25 | |
| Standard Oil Co. | 333 34 | |
| Total expended | \$4,997 94 | |
| Unexpended | 2 06 | |
| | | \$5,000 00 |

CHAPTER 90 CONSTRUCTION.

| | | |
|--------------------------|------------|------------|
| Town Appropriation | \$1,500 00 | |
| County Allotment | 1,500 00 | |
| State Allotment | 3,000 00 | |
| Total | | \$6,000 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Labor | \$1,435 15 | |
| Town equipment | 378 10 | |
| Hired equipment: | | |
| Power shovel | 1,114 00 | |
| Grader | 310 00 | |
| Compressor | 234 00 | |
| Trailer | 33 75 | |
| Trucks | 823 40 | |

Material:

| | | |
|-------------------------|-----|------------------|
| Rosenfeld Sand & Stone | | |
| Co. | 47 | 52 |
| H. M. Curtiss Co. | 10 | 50 |
| Medway Cement Block | | |
| Co. | 34 | 00 |
| Barrett Co. | 532 | 29 |
| H. A. Daniels Insurance | | |
| Co. | 45 | 91 |
| Mrs. Eliza Goldthwaite | 144 | 60 |
| H. Poirier, bits and | | |
| drills | 102 | 50 |
| Roland Temple, blasting | 39 | 63 |
| N. E. Metal Culvert Co. | 714 | 42 |
| Total expended | | \$5,999 77 |
| Unexpended | | 23 |
| | | <hr/> \$6,000 00 |

CHAPTER 81.

| | |
|--------------------------|-------------------|
| Town Appropriation | \$3,600 00 |
| State Allotment | 9,000 00 |
| Total | <hr/> \$12,600 00 |

Expended:

| | |
|------------------------|------------|
| Labor | \$5,070 75 |
| Town spreader | 26 00 |
| Town truck | 1,245 60 |
| Town grader | 153 15 |
| Hired equipment | 2,853 10 |
| H. A. Daniels, Ins. | |
| Co. | 185 23 |
| Rosenfeld Sand & Stone | |
| Co. | 1,019 19 |
| Trimount Bituminous | |
| Products | 1,333 80 |
| Barrett Co. | 115 76 |
| Standard Oil Co. | 409 60 |

| | | | |
|-------------------------|-----|----|-------------------|
| Eliza Goldthwaite | 180 | 30 | |
| Henry Poirier | 7 | 20 | |
| Total expended | | | \$12,599 68 |
| Unexpended | | | 32 |
| | | | <hr/> \$12,600 00 |

TAFT AVENUE RECONSTRUCTION.

| | | | |
|--------------------------------------|---------|----|------------------|
| Appropriation | | | \$3,500 00 |
| Expended: | | | |
| Labor | \$1,088 | 95 | |
| Hired equipment | 897 | 35 | |
| Town truck | 100 | 25 | |
| C. L. Goss | 8 | 04 | |
| Trimount Bituminous Products | 362 | 36 | |
| N. E. Metal Culvert Co. | 838 | 88 | |
| Rosenfeld Sand & Stone Co. | 27 | 98 | |
| Henry Poirier, trailer charges | 45 | 00 | |
| Blasting | 9 | 39 | |
| Cement | 3 | 00 | |
| Gravel | 77 | 40 | |
| Cement blocks | 41 | 40 | |
| Total expended | | | <hr/> \$3,500 00 |

SNOW REMOVAL.

| | | | |
|-------------------------------------|---------|----|------------------|
| Appropriation | \$2,800 | 00 | |
| Transferred from Reserve Fund | 406 | 63 | |
| Total | | | <hr/> \$3,206 63 |
| Expended: | | | |
| Labor | \$1,082 | 60 | |
| Hired equipment | 942 | 16 | |
| Town equipment | 463 | 13 | |
| Chemical Corp., salt | 349 | 20 | |
| Rosenfeld Sand & Stone Co. | 334 | 54 | |
| Chains | 18 | 00 | |
| Repairs to plow | 17 | 00 | |
| Total expended | | | <hr/> \$3,206 63 |

ROAD MACHINERY ACCOUNT.

Appropriation from Road Machinery

| | | |
|-----------------------------|----------|------------------|
| Fund | | \$1,800 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Mendon Texaco Station, | | |
| gasoline | \$388 77 | |
| Lakeside Garage, repairs | 363 42 | |
| Henley-Kimball Co., parts | 85 65 | |
| Scott White Truck, Inc., | | |
| parts | 91 12 | |
| Jesse White, tire and tube | 75 00 | |
| Jesse White, welding | 15 00 | |
| Eddie's Service Station, | | |
| tire | 109 80 | |
| Mendon Gulf Station, tire | | |
| and repairs | 112 32 | |
| N. L. Huff, repairs | 3 50 | |
| E. O. Rose & Son, repairs | 8 46 | |
| Minasion Gulf Station, | | |
| gasoline | 45 | |
| H. A. Daniels Ins. Co. | 93 83 | |
| Fisk Alden Co. | 69 37 | |
| H. Hoyle, lettering truck | 10 00 | |
| Pay rolls, labor | 65 80 | |
| Total expended | | \$1,492 49 |
| Unexpended | | 307 51 |
| | | <hr/> \$1,800 00 |

ROAD MACHINERY FUND.

| | |
|-------------------------------|------------------|
| Balance January 1, 1949 | \$4,902 14 |
| Transferred to Road Machin- | |
| ery Account | \$1,800 00 |
| Transferred to Maturing | |
| debt | 600 00 |
| | <hr/> \$2,400 00 |
| Balance | <hr/> \$2,502 14 |

Paid to Town Treasurer:

| | | |
|---|------------|------------|
| Chapter 81, use of truck | \$1,245 60 | |
| Chapter 81, use of grader | 153 15 | |
| Chapter 81, use of spreader | 26 00 | |
| Chapter 90 Construction, town equipment | 378 10 | |
| Chapter 90 Maintenance, town equipment | 161 85 | |
| North Ave. sidewalk | 150 00 | |
| Taft Ave. construction | 100 25 | |
| Snow Removal, truck | 463 13 | |
| Sundry persons, rental of town equipment | 100 00 | |
| Total receipts | | \$2,778 08 |
| Unexpended balance in Road Machinery Account | | 307 51 |
| | | <hr/> |
| Total of Road Machinery Fund, Dec. 31, 1949 | | \$5,587 73 |

NORTH AVENUE SIDEWALK PROJECT.

| | | |
|---|----------|------------|
| Appropriation | | \$1,500 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Labor | \$546 35 | |
| Equipment | 150 00 | |
| Leonard Jaques & Sons | 6 50 | |
| Henry Poirier, gravel | 22 00 | |
| Medway Lumber Co., lum- ber | 97 96 | |
| Rosenfeld Sand & Stone Co. | 447 23 | |
| Total expended | | \$1,270 04 |
| Transferred to Heat & Lights, town buildings | 229 96 | |
| Total | | \$1,500 00 |

STREET LIGHTING.

| | | |
|-------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$627 00 | |
| Transferred from Reserve Fund | 57 00 | |
| Total | <hr/> | \$684 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Worcester Sub. Elec. Co. | \$646 00 | |
| Unexpended | 38 00 | |
| Total | <hr/> | \$684 00 |

PUBLIC WELFARE—SALARIES.

| | | |
|--------------------------------|---------|----------|
| Appropriation | | \$125 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Harold Metcalf, Chairman | \$81 67 | |
| D. Victor Smith | 15 00 | |
| Harold Fairbanks | 28 33 | |
| Total expended | <hr/> | \$125 00 |

PUBLIC WELFARE—CLERICAL.

| | | |
|----------------------|---------|---------|
| Appropriation | | \$50 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Helen F. Irons | \$40 50 | |
| Unexpended | 9 50 | |
| Total | <hr/> | \$50 00 |

PUBLIC WELFARE—TEMPORARY AID.

| | | |
|---|------------|------------|
| Appropriation | \$3,500 00 | |
| Transferred from Heat & Lights, town buildings | 400 00 | |
| Transferred from Reserve Fund | 144 00 | |
| Total | <hr/> | \$4,044 00 |
| Total expended | \$4,034 13 | |
| Unexpended | 9 87 | |
| | <hr/> | \$4,044 00 |

REPORT OF BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE.

DETAILED EXPENDITURES.

MENDON SETTLED CASES.

| | | |
|----------------------------------|----------|------------|
| One family in own home | \$23 60 | |
| One family in own home | 1,531 99 | |
| One person in own home | 96 00 | |
| One person in private home | 416 00 | |
| One person in private home | 114 29 | |
| One family in other town | 87 30 | |
| | <hr/> | \$2,269 18 |

SETTLEMENT IN OTHER TOWNS.

| | |
|------------------------------|----------|
| One person in own home | \$388 04 |
|------------------------------|----------|

CASES WITH NO SETTLEMENT.

Chargeable to State Department of Welfare.

| | | |
|------------------------------|------------|------------|
| One family in own home | \$1,318 95 | |
| One family in own home | 30 35 | |
| | <hr/> | \$1,349 30 |

Miscellaneous expenses:

| | | |
|---|--------|------------|
| C. C. Shattuck, mdse. for temporary relief | \$6 11 | |
| S. DiDonato, mdse. for temporary relief | 10 00 | |
| Greater Boston Community Council | 5 50 | |
| J. F. Sargeant, ambulance service | 5 00 | |
| Beigan's Taxi | 1 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$27 61 |
| Total expenditures | <hr/> | \$4,034 13 |

Proportionate share of above expenses:

| | | |
|------------------------------|------------|------------|
| State of Massachusetts | \$1,349 30 | |
| Town of Milford | 388 04 | |
| Town of Mendon | 2,296 79 | |
| | <hr/> | \$4,034 13 |

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD METCALF, Chairman,

D. VICTOR SMITH,

HAROLD J. FAIRBANKS,

Board of Public Welfare.

REPORT OF AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN.

Resources:

| | | |
|-----------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Town Appropriation | \$2,000 00 | |
| Received from Federal Government: | | |
| (Direct Aid) | 468 03 | |
| (Administration) | 12 98 | |
| | <hr/> | \$2,481 01 |

Expenditures:

| | | |
|----------------------|------------|------------|
| For Direct Aid | \$2,099 70 | |
| Unexpended | 381 31 | |
| | <hr/> | \$2,481 01 |

Summary:

| | | |
|------------------------------|----------|------------|
| Federal Government | \$527 93 | |
| State of Massachusetts | 699 90 | |
| Town of Mendon's share | 871 87 | |
| | <hr/> | \$2,099 70 |

Amounts Due Town:

| | | |
|------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Federal Government | \$177 85 | |
| State of Massachusetts | 380 79 | |
| | <hr/> | \$558 64 |

Respectfully submitted,
HAROLD J. FAIRBANKS,
Agent.

REPORT OF BUREAU OF OLD AGE ASSISTANCE.

Resources:

| | |
|--|--------------------|
| Town Appropriation | \$18,000 00 |
| Received from Federal Government | 12,783 63 |
| Total | <u>\$30,783 63</u> |

Expenditures:

| | |
|-----------------------------|--------------------|
| For Direct Aid | \$23,250 82 |
| For Out-of-town Cases | 3,472 59 |
| For State Cases | 1,140 10 |
| Expended | <u>\$27,863 51</u> |
| Unexpended | 2,920 12 |
| | <u>\$30,783 63</u> |

Summary:

| | |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Federal Government's share | \$12,717 00 |
| State of Massachusetts' share | 10,237 30 |
| Town of Mendon's share | 4,217 26 |
| Other Towns | 691 95 |
| Total | <u>\$27,863 51</u> |

Amounts Due the Town:

| | |
|------------------------------|------------|
| Federal Government | \$2,105 70 |
| State of Massachusetts | 1,573 09 |
| Town of Westboro | 50 54 |
| Town of Milford | 168 81 |

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|------------------------|--------|------------|
| Town of Hopedale | 282 95 | |
| Town of Upton | 189 65 | |
| Total | | \$4,370 74 |

Respectfully submitted,
 HAROLD J. FAIRBANKS,
 Agent.

ADMINISTRATION

O. A. A. and A. D. C.

| | | |
|--------------------------|----------|----------|
| Town Appropriation | \$350 00 | |
| Federal Government | 161 96 | |
| Total | | \$511 96 |

Expended:

| | | |
|---------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Harold J. Fairbanks, Agent | \$250 00 | |
| D. Victor Smith | 40 33 | |
| Helen F. Irons, Clerk | 175 50 | |
| Postage | 12 80 | |
| Traveling expense | 8 68 | |
| Hobbs & Warren, Inc., forms | 12 07 | |
| Total expended | | \$499 38 |
| Unexpended | 12 58 | |
| | | \$511 96 |

SOLDIER'S RELIEF.

| | |
|---------------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$500 00 |
|---------------------|----------|

Expended:

| | | |
|-------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Aid rendered one family | \$411 90 | |
| Unexpended | 88 10 | |
| | | \$500 00 |

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT.

| | | |
|----------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Appropriation | \$46,262 65 | |
| Dog Tax Refund | 399 35 | |
| | | \$46,662 00 |

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|------------------|-------------|-------------------|
| Expended | \$46,139 58 | |
| Unexpended | 522 42 | |
| | | <hr/> \$46,662 00 |

(For detail of expenditures see School Report.)

VOCATIONAL EDUCATION.

| | | |
|-------------------------|----------|------------------|
| Appropriation | | \$1,500 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Norfolk County Agricul- | | |
| tural School | \$233 20 | |
| City of Worcester | 216 99 | |
| Anne Davenport, adult | | |
| sewing class | 114 00 | |
| Total expended | <hr/> | \$564 19 |
| Unexpended | | 935 81 |
| | | <hr/> \$1,500 00 |

TAFT PUBLIC LIBRARY.

| | | |
|-----------------------------|----------|----------------|
| Appropriation | | \$625 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Personal Book Shop | \$146 07 | |
| H. W. Wilson Co. | 9 80 | |
| Worcester Sub. Elec. Co. | 14 36 | |
| Charlescraft Press | 6 00 | |
| American Library Asso. .. | 5 00 | |
| Lake Nipmuc Ice Co., | | |
| wood | 12 00 | |
| Vestella M. Daniels, salary | 225 00 | |
| Raymond C. Dudley, salary | 100 00 | |
| Daniel Barnes, magazines | 45 44 | |
| Barney Coal Co. | 46 00 | |
| Irving Thompson, lock and | | |
| installation | 10 00 | |
| Total expended | <hr/> | \$619 67 |
| Unexpended | | 5 33 |
| | | <hr/> \$625 00 |

Expenditures from Fletcher Library Fund:

| | | |
|-----------------------------|---------|---------|
| Personal Book Shop | \$53 54 | |
| Gaylord Brothers, Inc. | 22 50 | |
| Total | | \$76 04 |

HONOR ROLL REPAIRS.

| | |
|---------------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$200 00 |
|---------------------|----------|

Expended:

| | |
|---|----------|
| Milford Sign Studio, repairing and lettering | \$200 00 |
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WATER DEPARTMENT MAINTENANCE.

| | |
|---------------------|------------|
| Appropriation | \$1,050 00 |
|---------------------|------------|

Expended:

| | | |
|--|----------|------------|
| Town of Bellingham, water | \$215 33 | |
| Lloyd Nelson, material and repairs | 212 73 | |
| George Allen, meter read- ing | 8 00 | |
| Francis Irons, delivering pamphlets | 8 00 | |
| Stationery and postage | 2 37 | |
| Toll calls | 16 84 | |
| Total expended | \$463 27 | |
| Unexpended | 586 73 | |
| | | \$1,050 00 |

WATER CONSTRUCTION—EAST MENDON.

| | |
|---------------------------------------|------------|
| Balance on hand January 1, 1949 | \$2,600 58 |
|---------------------------------------|------------|

Expended:

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|---|------------|
| Hayden, Harding & Bu- chanan, engineering service | \$1,252 46 |
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| Joseph Butura Const. | | |
| Co., final payment on | | |
| contract | 707 79 | |
| Total expended | | \$1,960 25 |
| Balance December 31, 1949 | | 640 33 |
| | | <hr/> \$2,600 58 |

SOLDIERS' AND SAILORS' GRAVES.

| | | |
|------------------------------------|--|---------|
| Appropriation | | \$30 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Swandale Cemetery Association | | \$30 00 |

WORCESTER COUNTY RETIREMENT SYSTEM.

EXPENSE FUND.

| | | |
|----------------------------------|--|----------|
| Appropriation | | \$340 20 |
| Expended: | | |
| Worcester County Treasurer | | \$340 20 |

MEMORIAL DAY.

| | | |
|--------------------------|---------|----------------|
| Appropriation | | \$150 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Ammunition | \$10 00 | |
| Flags | 10 00 | |
| Band | 75 00 | |
| Wreaths | 15 00 | |
| C. C. Shattuck, supplies | 21 85 | |
| Total expended | | \$131 85 |
| Unexpended | | 18 15 |
| | | <hr/> \$150 00 |

INSURANCE ON TOWN BUILDINGS.

| | | |
|--------------------------------|------------|------------------|
| Appropriation | | \$3,323 70 |
| Expended: | | |
| Donald B. Lowell, Agent | \$3,211 30 | |
| Transferred to Town Hall Main- | | |
| tenance | 112 40 | |
| | | <hr/> \$3,323 70 |

TOWN REPORTS.

| | |
|--------------------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$385 12 |
| Expended: | |
| Charlescraft Press | \$385 12 |

RESERVE FUND.

| | |
|-----------------------------------|------------------|
| Appropriation | \$2,000 00 |
| Transfers: | |
| To Erection of Fire Station | \$323 73 |
| To Fire Department | 665 63 |
| To Street Lighting | 57 00 |
| To Snow Removal | 406 63 |
| To Public Welfare | 144 00 |
| To Police Department | 26 11 |
| To Dog Officer | 21 00 |
| Total transfers | \$1,644 10 |
| Unexpended | 355 90 |
| | <hr/> \$2,000 00 |

MATURING DEBT.

| | |
|--|------------------|
| Appropriation | \$4,000 00 |
| Transferred from Road Machinery Fund | 600 00 |
| Total | <hr/> \$4,600 00 |
| Expended: | |
| School House Addition Loan | \$2,000 00 |
| Fire Station Loan | 2,000 00 |
| Truck Loan | 600 00 |
| Total expended | <hr/> \$4,600 00 |

INTEREST ON TEMPORARY LOANS.

| | | |
|----------------------------------|---------|---------|
| Appropriation | | \$50 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Interest on Loan in Anticipation | | |
| of Revenue | \$37 01 | |
| Unexpended | 12 99 | |
| | <hr/> | \$50 00 |

INTEREST ON MATURING DEBT.

| | | |
|-------------------------|----------|------------|
| Appropriation | | \$1,140 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Fire Station Loan | \$450 00 | |
| Water Loan | 450 00 | |
| Highway Truck | 15 00 | |
| School House Loan | 225 00 | |
| Total expended | <hr/> | \$1,140 00 |

REPORT OF TOWN ACCOUNTANT.
DETAIL OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES
FOR 1949.

Cash on hand January 1, 1949 \$29,882 79

Receipts:

1949 Taxes:

| | |
|-------------------------|-----------|
| Poll Taxes | \$862 00 |
| Personal Taxes | 6,011 10 |
| Real Estate Taxes | 56,996 99 |
| Excise Taxes | 8,047 85 |

Previous Year's Taxes:

| | |
|-------------------------|----------|
| Poll Taxes | 18 00 |
| Personal Taxes | 915 35 |
| Real Estate Taxes | 5,569 66 |
| Excise Taxes | 356 83 |

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|---|-----------|
| State Corporation Tax | 8,876 37 |
| State Income Tax | 14,416 45 |
| State Income Tax, School, Part I | 470 01 |
| Licenses and Permits | 2,269 00 |
| District Court Fees | 10 00 |
| Federal Grant, Old Age Assistance | 12,941 61 |
| Federal Grant, Aid to Dependent Children | 463 04 |
| State School Fund | 864 25 |
| State Meal Tax | 752 62 |
| State, Inspector of Animals | 75 00 |
| State, Highways, Chapter 81 | 6,874 58 |

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|--|-----------|
| State, School Transportation | 6,371 51 |
| State, Superintendent of Schools | 773 32 |
| County Treasurer, Dog License Re- fund, 1948-1949 | 778 24 |
| Town Hall Rentals | 549 25 |
| Allowance on Old Typewriter | 10 00 |
| Police Dept., Sale of Photos | 5 00 |
| Fire Dept., Sale of Hose | 1 30 |
| Meat Inspection Fees | 10 00 |
| Sealer of Weights and Measures | 5 50 |
| State Dept., of Forestry | 50 00 |
| Reimbursement of Dog Officer's Fees | 20 00 |
| State Dept. of Public Health | 27 14 |
| State, Highways, Chapter 90 Main- tenance | 2,499 75 |
| County, Highways, Chapter 90 Main- tenance | 2,499 75 |
| Road Machinery Fund | 2,778 08 |
| State, Highways, Chapter 90 Con- struction | 2,999 89 |
| County, Highways, Chapter 90 Con- struction | 1,499 95 |
| State, Temporary Aid | 1,116 32 |
| State, Aid to Dependent Children | 648 12 |
| State, Old Age Assistance | 10,242 43 |
| Town of Uxbridge, O. A. A. | 183 57 |
| Town of Westboro, O. A. A. | 99 21 |
| Town of Hopedale, O. A. A. | 4 22 |
| Town of Milford, O. A. A. | 182 37 |
| State, Vocational Education | 605 74 |
| School Tuition, One Pupil | 50 54 |
| City of Boston, Tuition State Wards | 165 50 |
| Library Fines | 23 26 |
| Sale of Old Fire Station | 1 00 |
| Withholding Taxes | 2,667 45 |
| Contributory Retirement Deductions | 734 94 |

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|--------------------------------------|----------|--------------------|
| Federal Advance Water Project | 1,500 00 | |
| Water Department Revenue | 1,241 02 | |
| Sale of Water Pipe | 232 96 | |
| Public Weighing Fees | 15 20 | |
| Interest on Deferred Taxes | 261 80 | |
| Interest, Thayer Cemetery Fund | 5 00 | |
| Transfers from Trust Funds | 242 29 | |
| Revenue Loan | 5,000 00 | |
| Town Clerk, Dog License Fees | 466 00 | |
| Refund on Collector's Bond | 19 50 | |
| Refund Board of Health | 3 00 | |
| Refund Town Accountant Expense | 9 74 | |
| Total Receipts for 1949 | | <hr/> \$173,390 57 |
| | | <hr/> \$203,273 36 |

Expenditures:

| | |
|---------------------------------------|---------|
| Moderator's Salary | \$10 00 |
| Selectmen's Salaries | 550 00 |
| Selectmen's Expense | 149 89 |
| Treasurer's Salary | 350 00 |
| Treasurer's Expense | 154 22 |
| Auditor's Salary | 25 00 |
| Town Clerk's Salary | 200 00 |
| Town Clerk's Expense | 327 89 |
| Collector's Salary | 875 00 |
| Collector's Expense | 179 31 |
| Assessors' Salaries | 650 00 |
| Assessors' Expense | 263 92 |
| Town Officers' Bonds | 126 75 |
| Town Accountant's Salary | 300 00 |
| Town Accountant's Expense | 21 91 |
| Clerical Hire for Town Officers | 299 70 |
| Elections and Registrations | 407 46 |
| Town Counsel's Salary | 100 00 |
| Town Counsel's Expense | 75 00 |

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|---|-----------|
| Record Room Maintenance | 487 16 |
| Constable's Salary | 25 00 |
| Heat and Lights, Town Bldgs. | 1,390 40 |
| Town Hall Maintenance | 712 40 |
| Town Hall Improvements (1947) | 90 20 |
| Town Hall Heating and Sanitary Facilities | 4,434 73 |
| Police Department | 1,026 11 |
| Dog Officer | 51 00 |
| Sealer of Weights and Measures | 45 00 |
| Public Weigher | 8 85 |
| Inspector of Animals | 150 00 |
| Inspectors of Slaughtering | 25 00 |
| Fireproofing Boiler Room | 250 00 |
| Fire Department | 1,664 91 |
| Forest Fire Dept. | 436 72 |
| Hydrant Rental | 500 00 |
| Erection of Fire Station | 11,233 10 |
| Elimination of Hay Scales | 198 05 |
| Board of Health | 881 30 |
| Worcester County Hospital | 1,745 56 |
| Highways, General Repairs | 1,495 51 |
| Snow Removal | 3,206 63 |
| Chapter 81, Highways | 12,599 68 |
| Chapter 90, Maintenance | 4,499 64 |
| Chapter 90, Maintenance (Providence Street) | 498 30 |
| Chapter 90, Construction | 5,999 77 |
| Taft Avenue Reconstruction | 3,500 00 |
| Highway Machinery Maintenance | 1,492 49 |
| Street Lighting | 646 00 |
| North Avenue Sidewalk | 1,270 04 |
| Public Welfare, Salaries | 125 00 |
| Public Welfare, Clerical | 40 50 |
| Public Welfare, Temporary Aid | 4,034 13 |
| Soldiers' Relief | 411 90 |

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|---|--------|----|
| Aid to Dependent Children | 2,099 | 70 |
| Old Age Assistance | 27,863 | 51 |
| Old Age Assistance, Administration | 499 | 38 |
| School Department | 46,139 | 58 |
| Tuition for Vocational Schools | 564 | 19 |
| Taft Public Library | 619 | 67 |
| Plans for Water Project | 1,500 | 00 |
| Honor Roll Repairs | 200 | 00 |
| Austin Wood Relief Fund | 166 | 25 |
| Austin Fletcher Library Fund | 76 | 04 |
| Tree Warden | 245 | 60 |
| Moth Suppression | 200 | 00 |
| Elm Beetle Suppression | 500 | 00 |
| Park Department | 107 | 00 |
| Memorial Day | 131 | 85 |
| Insurance on Town Buildings | 3,211 | 30 |
| Federal Withholding Taxes | 2,667 | 45 |
| Worcester County Retirement System | 734 | 94 |
| Expense Fund | 340 | 20 |
| Water Construction, East Mendon | 1,960 | 25 |
| Water Department Maintenance | 463 | 27 |
| Soldiers' and Sailors' Graves | 30 | 00 |
| School House Loan, Note and Interest | 2,225 | 00 |
| Fire Station Loan, Note and Interest | 2,450 | 00 |
| Highway Truck Loan, Note and Interest | 615 | 00 |
| Water Construction Loan, Interest | 450 | 00 |
| Interest on Temporary Loan | 37 | 01 |
| Revenue Loan | 5,000 | 00 |
| Town Reports | 385 | 12 |
| State Parks Assessment | 160 | 73 |
| State Auditing of Accounts | 261 | 96 |
| Stabilization Fund | 5,000 | 00 |
| County Treasurer, Dog License Fees | 466 | 00 |
| County Tax | 3,718 | 86 |
| Motor Vehicle Excise Tax Refunds | 194 | 01 |

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|--|-------|---------------------|
| Real Estate Tax Refunds | 94 00 | |
| Total Expenditures 1949 | | <u>\$181,619 00</u> |
| Balance on hand December 31, 1949 | | \$21,654 36 |

ASSETS.

Uncollected Taxes:

| | | |
|----------------------------------|-----------|--------------------|
| Excise Taxes | \$625 06 | |
| Real Estate Taxes | 8,027 71 | |
| Personal Property Taxes | 635 45 | |
| Cash in hands of Treasurer | 21,654 36 | |
| Stabilization Fund | 5,000 00 | |
| U. S. Bonds | 1,000 00 | |
| 15 Tax Titles | 1,574 97 | |
| | | <u>\$38,517 55</u> |

Public Welfare:

| | |
|--------------------------------|----------|
| Due from Town of Milford | \$359 96 |
|--------------------------------|----------|

Old Age Assistance:

| | | |
|---------------------------------------|------------|-------------------|
| Due from Federal Government | \$2,105 70 | |
| Due from State of Massachusetts | 1,573 09 | |
| Due from Town of Milford | 168 81 | |
| Due from Town of Upton | 189 65 | |
| Due from Town of Westboro | 50 54 | |
| Due from Town of Hopedale | 282 95 | |
| | | <u>\$4,370 74</u> |

Aid to Dependent Children:

| | | |
|------------------------------|----------|-----------------|
| State of Massachusetts | \$380 79 | |
| Federal Government | 177 85 | |
| | | <u>\$558 64</u> |

State of Massachusetts
for Highways:

| | | |
|----------------------------|----------|-------------|
| Chapter 81 | | \$6,339 68 |
| Due for Sale of Water | \$382 97 | |
| Due for Town Hall Rentals | 74 75 | |
| Due for Licenses | 113 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$570 72 |
| Total Assets | <hr/> | \$50,717 29 |

LIABILITIES.

| | | |
|------------------------------------|------------|-------------|
| Bonds, School House Addition | \$8,000 00 | |
| Notes on Town Truck | 600 00 | |
| Bonds for Water Construction | 20,000 00 | |
| Bonds for Fire Station | 16,000 00 | |
| Total Liabilities | <hr/> | \$44,600 00 |

Respectfully submitted,
HELEN F. IRONS,
Town Accountant.

LIST OF JURORS.

| | | |
|-------------------|--------------|-------------------|
| William R. Bowen | Poultryman | Bates Street |
| Gordon R. Good | Machinist | North Avenue |
| William F. Irons | Musician | Main Street |
| Donald B. Lowell | Dairyman | North Avenue |
| John L. Lundvall | Inspector | Hartford Ave. E. |
| Lester P. Mann | Patternmaker | Washington Street |
| Clayton Parkinson | Florist | Hastings Street |
| Douglas Taylor | Carpenter | George Street |
| Jesse F. White | Boat Dealer | Uxbridge Road |
| Harry L. Wilbur | Machinist | Hastings Street |
| Ernest P. Wood | Wood Worker | Hartford Ave. W. |

REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE SELECTMEN.

At the last annual meeting, it was voted to authorize the Selectmen to lease those parts of the right of way between White's Beach and George Murphy's residence. While processing this, we found that we could not legally lease this land, since some abutters on Taft Avenue have that right of way in common on their deeds. However, this matter should not be left dormant. The beach is in the hands of a realtor to sell, and the town's rights should be safeguarded. The portion of land along the water's edge is approximately 65 feet, narrowing down to approximately 33 feet along Taft Avenue. I suggest that steps be taken this spring to have the rights of the town recognized to the right of way in lieu of forcing the way open to its proper boundaries. In this manner, no one would be hurt; and yet, for future years, the town's rights would not be gone forever.

The matter of the burlesque shows is one "where angels fear to tread." It is the interpretation of many citizens that the meaning of "burlesque" transcends Webster's definition: "tending to excite laughter or contempt by extravagant images, or by incongruous contrast, —etc." It is our interpretation that the townspeople are opposed to dirty and salacious exhibitions. With this view in mind, the Selectmen granted a park license specifically eliminating burlesque shows. The shows for the first two months lost money heavily, both the variety type and straight vaudeville shows. In desperation, the park management asked if they could add a girl headliner to the shows of the early summer for the remainder of the summer to stave off bankruptcy. The majority of the board felt that a compromise was in order so that a few thousand

dollars in payroll to various townspeople and a business enterprise would not be jeopardized. So permission was granted to permit a girl headliner, dressed to a minimum of French-bathing-suit level (permitted on the beaches) to work on the stage. The shows were cut down to such an extent that after the first two weeks following this permission, having been fooled by deceptive advertising, the show-goers stopped their patronage to a great extent. Perhaps the majority of the board erred in their judgment. It is difficult indeed to attempt to accomplish much and make *no* errors in doing so. At least, it was the same board majority that took interest enough to keep the entertainment within reasonable bounds.

The heating and plumbing systems for the Town buildings are now completed. We ran into difficulty at first because we had not anticipated larger quarters being necessary in order to install a minimum of two toilets; hence the special town meeting to fill in the deficiency of funds. The new addition cost \$2,350. You will be asked to appropriate a sum for a 5,000 gallon tank. By purchasing oil direct from seaboard in 4,000-gallon lots, the town will save about \$300 annually in the town buildings alone; since the town will pay the same price as is paid by dealers.

The town buildings are now in modern shape. We can all be proud of our new buildings. Through the years of relatively small appropriations the fire department is now equipped in a manner for efficient fire fighting. Much praise is due the chief, engineers, and firemen for donating much time for which there has been no reward save that which comes to those with community spirit, —satisfaction. The highway department has done a good job on the roads, in construction and in maintenance. My only suggestion is that, due to the fact that this department handles the largest amount of money appropriated, all members, from the Highway Surveyor down, should conscientiously do their best to give the Town a dollar's worth of work for every dollar spent for labor. During the past

year, the board refused to approve a payroll on snow removal for a week's vacation with pay for Highway Surveyor. We are not opposed to the principal of a vacation; but we do feel that it is up to the Town to approve the matter. While discussing this matter, it came out that all the other highway department members had got their vacation with pay; although to my knowledge and that of the Town Accountant, no payroll had been specifically marked "vacation." Hence, the majority of the board were not cognizant of what the payroll covered.

I wish to call specific attention to the police department. Under the able direction of our beloved Mathew Mantoni, the morale and *esprit de corps* has reached a high pinnacle. So has the respect from other police departments. Many hours of patrolling in their own cars have been spent by various members of the department, and especially by the late Chief without cost to the town. This was done because the men realized they could never expect to be paid out of the relatively small appropriation. The board has granted to the police department the use of the rear basement of the town hall.

Many have yet to realize that this town is now a good-sized business. Almost a quarter of a million dollars went through the hands of Treasurer Silas Dudley. Incidentally, about \$9,000 more went out than came in. The cost of running the town has gone up relatively with the rise in the cost of living. Payrolls and materials are necessarily higher. Yet progress must go on. We must maintain our roads, buildings, and services to fit the needs of our expanding population. Last year, for the first time in over five years, it was necessary for the Treasurer to borrow in anticipation of revenue, due to the fact that the bank balance was small. There are two schools of thought in Mendon. One is to use all or much of the free cash to reduce the tax rate. The other, is to build a large enough fund of free cash (or working capital) so that borrowing to pay our bills would not be necessary; and

that in case of emergency, we would have funds available that could be used without sky-rocketing the tax rate. The former method is a short run method; the latter is a long-range method. The best way to save in operating costs is to buy or spend money for only such things as are necessary, rather than using up the appropriation just because it is available. Any one in a position to spend the Town's money should first ask: "If this were my business and my money, would I spend it thus?"

The citizens of Mendon can well be assured of one fact,—that the great majority of town officers are working for the best interests of the town, many of them without remuneration. And why not? It's a great town to live in!

Respectfully submitted,
D. VICTOR SMITH,
Chairman.

REPORT OF TOWN TREASURER.

CASH RECEIPTS.

JANUARY 1, 1949—DECEMBER 31, 1949.

| | | |
|------------------------------------|-------------|--------------------|
| Cash on hand January 1, 1949 | \$29,882 79 | |
| Receipts for year 1949 | 173,390 57 | |
| | | <hr/> \$203,273 36 |

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|-------------------------------------|--------------|--------------------|
| Paid per Selectmen's Warrants | | |
| year 1949 | \$181,619 00 | |
| Cash Balance December 31, 1949 | 21,654 36 | |
| | | <hr/> \$203,273 36 |

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|-----------------------------------|-------------------|
| Cash Balance December 31, 1949 | |
| Balance in Milford Home National | |
| Bank December 31, 1949 | \$23,673 48 |
| Cash in hands of Treasurer Decem- | |
| ber 31, 1949 | 6,759 37 |
| | <hr/> \$30,432 85 |

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|---------------------------------|----------|-------------------|
| Outstanding Checks December 31, | | |
| 1949 | 8,778 49 | |
| | | <hr/> \$21,654 36 |

See Town Accountant's Report for detail of Receipts and Expenditures.

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| 15 Tax Titles | \$1,574 97 |
|---------------------|------------|

TRUST FUND REPORTS AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1949.

AUSTIN WOOD RELIEF FUND.

DR.

| | |
|-------------------------------|----------|
| To Cash in Milford Bank | \$688 48 |
| To Interest Received | 13 02 |

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|---------------------------------|--------|------------|
| To Cash in Worcester Bank | 717 65 | |
| To Interest Received | 14 41 | |
| | <hr/> | \$1,433 56 |

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|---------------------------------|----------|------------|
| By Cash in Milford Bank | \$535 25 | |
| By Cash in Worcester Bank | 732 06 | |
| By 1 Selectmen's Order | 81 25 | |
| By 1 Selectmen's Order | 85 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$1,433 56 |

NATHAN R. GEORGE TRUST FUND.

DR.

| | | |
|-------------------------------|------------|------------|
| To Cash in Milford Bank | \$1,134 27 | |
| To Interest Received | 22 79 | |
| | <hr/> | \$1,157 06 |

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| By Cash in Milford Bank | \$1,157 06 | |
| | <hr/> | \$1,157 06 |

FLETCHER LIBRARY FUND.

| | | |
|-------------------------------|------------|------------|
| To Cash in Milford Bank | \$5,092 90 | |
| To Interest Received | 101 91 | |
| | <hr/> | \$5,194 81 |

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| By Cash in Milford Bank | \$5,118 77 | |
| By 2 Library Orders | 76 04 | |
| | <hr/> | \$5,194 81 |

STABILIZATION FUND.

| | |
|-------------------------------|------------|
| To Cash in Milford Bank | \$5,000 00 |
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| By Cash in Milford Bank | \$5,000 00 |
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ANNA ELLIS LIBRARY FUND.

DR.

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|-------------------------------|----------|----------|
| To Cash in Milford Bank | \$560 57 | |
| To Interest Received | 11 26 | |
| | <hr/> | \$571 83 |

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| By Cash in Milford Bank | \$571 83 | |
| | <hr/> | \$571 83 |

U. S. DEFENSE BOND.

DR.

| | | |
|-------------------------------|------------|------------|
| To 1 U. S. Defense Bond | \$1,000 00 | |
| To Interest Received | 155 73 | |
| | <hr/> | \$1,155 73 |

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| By 1 U. S. Defense Bond | \$1,000 00 | |
| By Cash in Milford Bank | 155 73 | |
| | <hr/> | \$1,155 73 |

HONOR ROLL FUND.

DR.

| | | |
|-------------------------------|----------|----------|
| To Cash in Milford Bank | \$361 55 | |
| To Interest Received | 5 44 | |
| | <hr/> | \$366 99 |

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| By Cash in Milford Bank | \$366 99 | |
| | <hr/> | \$366 99 |

Respectfully submitted,

SILAS H. DUDLEY,

Town Treasurer.

COLLECTOR'S REPORT.

1949.

1947 PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES.

DR.

| | | |
|--------------------------------------|---------|---------|
| Taxes Outstanding Jan. 1, 1949 | \$24 15 | |
| Interest | 1 32 | |
| | <hr/> | \$25 47 |

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|----------------------|---------|---------|
| Paid Treasurer | \$25 47 | |
| Uncollected | 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$25 47 |

1947 REAL ESTATE TAXES.

DR.

| | | |
|--------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Taxes Outstanding Jan. 1, 1949 | \$221 06 | |
| Interest | 8 39 | |
| | <hr/> | \$229 45 |

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|----------------------|----------|----------|
| Paid Treasurer | \$229 45 | |
| Uncollected | 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$229 45 |

1948 POLL TAXES.

DR.

| | | |
|--------------------------------------|---------|---------|
| Taxes Outstanding Jan. 1, 1949 | \$20 00 | |
| Interest | 08 | |
| Demands | 2 80 | |
| | <hr/> | \$22 88 |

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|----------------------|---------|---------|
| Paid Treasurer | \$20 88 | |
| Abated | 2 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$22 88 |

1948 MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES.

DR.

| | | |
|--------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Total Taxes Outstanding Jan. 1, 1949 | \$232 86 | |
| Interest | 3 97 | |
| | <hr/> | \$236 83 |

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| Paid Treasurer | \$236 83 | |
| Uncollected | 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$236 83 |

1948 EXCISE TAXES.

DR.

| | | |
|-------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Committed Jan. 17, 1949 | \$123 97 | |
| Interest | 38 | |
| | <hr/> | \$124 35 |

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| Paid Treasurer | \$124 35 | |
| Uncollected | 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$124 35 |

1948 PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES.

DR.

| | | |
|--------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Taxes Outstanding Jan. 1, 1949 | \$1,103 20 | |
| Interest | 27 83 | |
| | <hr/> | \$1,131 03 |

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| Paid Treasurer | \$919 03 | |
| Uncollected | 212 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$1,131 03 |

1948 REAL ESTATE TAXES.

DR.

| | | |
|--------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Taxes Outstanding Jan. 1, 1949 | \$5,936 00 | |
| Interest | 164 42 | |
| | <hr/> | \$6,100 42 |

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|----------------------|------------|------------|
| Paid Treasurer | \$5,513 02 | |
| Uncollected | 587 40 | |
| | <hr/> | \$6,100 42 |

1949 POLL TAXES.

DR.

| | | |
|-----------------------|----------|----------|
| Taxes Committed | \$886 00 | |
| Interest | 1 93 | |
| Demands | 13 65 | |
| | <hr/> | \$901 58 |

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|----------------------|----------|----------|
| Paid Treasurer | \$877 58 | |
| Abated | 24 00 | |
| Uncollected | 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$901 58 |

1949 MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES.

DR.

| | | |
|--------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| First Commitment Feb. 11, 1949 | \$1,419 35 | |
| Interest | 1 04 | |
| | <hr/> | \$1,420 39 |

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| | | |
|----------------------|------------|------------|
| Paid Treasurer | \$1,395 60 | |
| Abated | 24 79 | |
| Uncollected | 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$1,420 39 |

DR.

| | | |
|---------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Second Commitment April 8, 1949 | \$2,022 18 | |
| Interest | 2 78 | |
| | <hr/> | \$2,024 96 |

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|----------------------|------------|------------|
| Paid Treasurer | \$1,970 81 | |
| Abated | 51 26 | |
| Uncollected | 2 89 | |
| | <hr/> | \$2,024 96 |

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| Third Commitment July 29, 1949 | \$2,025 78 | |
| Interest | 74 | |
| | <hr/> | \$2,026 52 |

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| Paid Treasurer | \$1,885 92 | |
| Abated | 16 53 | |
| Uncollected | 124 07 | |
| | <hr/> | \$2,026 52 |

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| Fourth Commitment Sept. 27, 1949 | \$1,881 71 | |
| Interest | 47 | |
| | <hr/> | \$1,882 18 |

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| Paid Treasurer | \$1,640 98 | |
| Abated | 78 58 | |
| Uncollected | 162 62 | |
| | <hr/> | \$1,882 18 |

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| Fifth Commitment Nov. 21, 1949 | \$1,226 58 | |
| | <hr/> | \$1,226 58 |

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| Paid Treasurer | \$1,072 47 | |
| Abated | 2 00 | |
| Uncollected | 152 11 | |
| | <hr/> | \$1,226 58 |

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| Sixth Commitment Dec. 9, 1949 | \$270 47 | |
| | <hr/> | \$270 47 |

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| Paid Treasurer | \$87 10 | |
| Uncollected | 183 37 | |
| | <hr/> | \$270 47 |

1949 PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES.

DR.

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|-----------------------|------------|------------|
| Taxes Committed | \$6,434 55 | |
| Interest | 1 75 | |
| | <hr/> | \$6,436 30 |

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|----------------------|------------|------------|
| Paid Treasurer | \$6,012 85 | |
| Uncollected | 423 45 | |
| | <hr/> | \$6,436 30 |

1949 REAL ESTATE TAXES.

DR.

| | | |
|-----------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Taxes Committed | \$65,782 80 | |
| Interest | 30 25 | |
| | <hr/> | \$65,813 05 |

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|-----------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Paid Treasurer | \$57,027 24 | |
| Abated | 1,199 25 | |
| Subsequent Tax Title Credit | 146 25 | |
| Uncollected | 7,440 31 | |
| | <hr/> | \$65,813 05 |

TAX REFUND FOR 1949.

| | | |
|----------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes | \$194 01 | |
| Real Estate Taxes | 94 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$288 01 |

Respectfully submitted,
 ARTHUR P. DALTON,
 Collector of Taxes.

January 1, 1950.

ASSESSORS' REPORT.

The Assessors' Recapitulation Sheet of Aggregates is given below:

RECAPITULATION SHEET.

Town Appropriations:

| | | |
|-----------------------------|-----------|--------------|
| Annual Town Meeting, March, | | |
| 1949 | \$132,432 | 45 |
| State Taxes, 1949 | 1,024 | 74 |
| County Taxes, 1949 | 6,372 | 28 |
| Overlay for 1949 | 2,886 | 00 |
| | | \$142,715 47 |

| | | |
|--------------------------|----------|-------------|
| Estimated Receipts | \$58,062 | 50 |
| Available Funds | 11,560 | 87 |
| | | \$69,623 37 |

| | | |
|--------------------------------|--|-------------|
| Net amount raised on Polls and | | |
| Property | | \$73,092 10 |

| | | |
|--------------------------------|--------|-------------|
| 443 Poll Taxes at \$2.00 | \$886 | 00 |
| Personal Property | 6,434 | 55 |
| Real Estate | 65,771 | 55 |
| | | \$73,092 10 |

| | | |
|-------------------------------|-----|--|
| Number of Assessments on Real | | |
| Estate | 561 | |
| Number of Assessments on Per- | | |
| sonal Estate | 74 | |

| | |
|---|--------------------|
| Value of Assessed Stock-in-trade | \$5,200 00 |
| Value of Assessed Live Stock | 63,240 00 |
| Value of Assessed Machinery | 1,500 00 |
| Value of all other Assessed Personal Estate | 73,050 00 |
| Total Value of Assessed Personal Property | <hr/> \$142,990 00 |

| | |
|---|----------------|
| Value of Assessed Buildings, excluding land | \$1,130,500 00 |
| Value of Assessed Land, excluding buildings | 331,090 00 |
| Total Value of Real Estate | \$1,461,590 00 |

| | |
|----------------------------------|----------------------|
| Total Value of Assessed Property | <hr/> \$1,604,580 00 |
| Tax on Personal Estate | \$6,434 55 |
| Tax on Real Estate | 65,771 55 |
| Tax on Polls | 886 00 |
| | <hr/> \$73,092 10 |

| | |
|--|---------|
| Rate of Tax per \$1,000 00 | \$45 00 |
| Number of Horses assessed | 26 |
| Number of Cows assessed | 596 |
| Number of Neat Cattle other than Cows assessed | 78 |
| Number of Swine assessed | 14 |
| Number of Fowl assessed | 2,810 |
| Number of Dwelling Houses assessed | 459 |
| Number of Acres of Land assessed | 10,721 |

MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES COMMITTED TO
COLLECTOR IN 1949.

| | |
|-----------------------------------|------------|
| Vehicles registered in 1949 | \$9,206 79 |
|-----------------------------------|------------|

MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES ABATED.

| | |
|------------------|----------|
| 1949 Taxes | \$367 17 |
|------------------|----------|

OVERLAY ACCOUNT 1949.

| | |
|-----------------------|------------|
| 1949 Overlay | \$2,886 00 |
| 1949 Abatements | \$1,293 25 |

Respectfully submitted,

D. KINSLEY BARNES,
CHARLES F. LEONARD,
DONALD B. LOWELL,

Board of Assessors.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT.

1949.

DOGS LICENSED IN 1949.

| | | |
|---|----------|----------------|
| 121 Males at \$2.00 each | \$242 00 | |
| 25 Females at \$5.00 each | 125 00 | |
| 48 Spayed Females at \$2.00 each | 96 00 | |
| 5 Kennel Licenses at \$10.00 | 50 00 | |
| | | <hr/> \$513 00 |
| Less Clerk's fees: 199 Licenses at 20c | | 39 80 |
| | | <hr/> |
| Cash Paid Town Treasurer as per monthly statements | | \$473 20 |

Attention is called to the fact that all dogs three months old or more must be licensed at the Town Clerk's office on or before April 1, 1950. No bills are sent for this tax, so please co-operate by paying your Dog License promptly. Dog owners should realize that the Dog Refund is added to the General School Fund, and should be more prompt in paying this tax.

SPORTING LICENSES ISSUED FROM
JANUARY 1, 1949 TO DECEMBER 31, 1949.

| | | | |
|--|-----|--------|----------|
| Series 1 Resident Citizen Fishing | 114 | \$2.00 | \$228.00 |
| 2 Resident Citizen Hunting | 92 | 2.00 | 184.00 |
| 3 Resident Citizen Sporting | 85 | 3.25 | 276.25 |
| 4 Resident Citizen Minor and Female | 75 | 1.25 | 93.75 |
| 5 Resident Citizen Minor Trap- ping | 1 | 2.25 | 2.25 |
| 7 Special Non-resident Fishing | 4 | 1.50 | 6.00 |
| 9 Non-resident Citizen Fishing | 4 | 5.25 | 21.00 |
| 10 Non-resident Citizen Hunting | 2 | 10.25 | 20.50 |
| 14 Non-resident Military or Naval Sporting | 1 | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| 15 Resident Citizen Sporting (Free) | 14 | ..... | ..... |
| 16 Resident Citizen Military or Naval Sporting (Free) | 5 | ..... | ..... |
| | | | <hr/> |
| | | | \$833.75 |
| Less Fees Retained by Clerk | 378 | .25 | 94.50 |
| | | | <hr/> |
| Amount paid to Division of Fisheries and Game as per monthly statements | | | \$739.25 |

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN 1949.

| Date of Birth 1949 | | Name of Child | Name of Parents with Maiden Name of Mother |
|--------------------|----|---------------------------|--|
| Jan. | 1 | Pauline Anna Lamothe | Francis J. and Edwina Tetreault |
| | 14 | David Walter Ruigrok | Walter G. and Helen Hoothay |
| Feb. | 22 | Paul Joseph Longton | Russell and Ruth Perron |
| Mar. | 6 | Paul Laurent Lemire | Eugene E. and Muriel Belisle |
| | 7 | Sheila Jean Kelley | Charles and June L. Wright |
| | 9 | Roger David Good | Gordon R. and Dorothy Mae Goodnow |
| | 13 | Arthur Warren, IV | Arthur and Nancy R. Magliocca |
| | 14 | Bernard John Kraft | Steven S. and Florence Noyes |
| | 18 | John Earl Hensel | Aubrey M. and Virginia F. Irons |
| | 21 | James Fenner Rondeau | William D. and Ellen Simmons |
| April | 11 | Gerard Francis Lamothe | Aram A. and Blanche C. Counter |
| May | 5 | Raymond Albert Roy | Raymond T. and Florida Daige |
| | 6 | Gary Lee Auld | Nelson L. and Mary E. Hutchens |
| | 8 | Kent Edward Applebey | Stewart M. and Lorraine Carmody |
| | 16 | Kathleen Berry | Francis L. and Mary McCarty |
| | 19 | Gerald Richard Taft | Austin and Shirley Smith |
| June | 15 | Alva Jean Wiersma | George and Jennie Oosterman |
| July | 3 | Arlene Louise Biggs | Gerald E. and Georgina Derrick |
| | 31 | Lorraine Agnes Nolet | Adelard Joseph and Jean A. LaBossiere |
| Aug. | 1 | Sharon Lee Taylor | Kenneth and Lois J. Wagner |
| Sept. | 1 | Henry Raymond White | Roland E. and Doris M. Sarreault |
| Oct. | 13 | Jean Elizabeth Farrer | Herbert E. and Dorothy Eaton |
| | 21 | Kenneth Packard Phillips | George M. and Barbara Packard |
| | 29 | Suzanne Sheryl Slater | Richard I. and Elizabeth I. Speckman |
| Nov. | 21 | Linwood Earle Lowell, Jr. | Linwood E. and Dorothy Kennelly |
| Dec. | 30 | Richard McKenzie | |
| | | Gaskill, Jr. | Richard M. and Dora Streeter |
| | 30 | Sharon Leigh Barrus | Russell W. and Marie A. Niro |

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN 1949.

| Date of Marriage 1949 | Place of Marriage | Names | Residence |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------|
| Feb. 5 | Mendon | Albert F. Carr | Mendon |
| | | Joyce Cram | Mendon |
| April 9 | Milford, Mass. | Reuben B. Dalrymple | Mendon |
| | | Lottie Macuen Rogers | Mendon |
| April 30 | Milford, Mass. | Raymond G. Thomas | Mendon |
| | | Antoinette DeGregorio | Milford, Mass. |
| May 29 | Milford, Mass. | Harold C. Barrows, Jr. | Mendon |
| | | Avis E. McKinley White | Milford, Mass. |
| June 4 | Hopedale, Mass. | Anthony P. Rosati | Milford, Mass. |
| | | Dorothy Mary Krota | Mendon |
| June 18 | Northbridge, Mass. | Henry J. Bracci | Mendon |
| | | Rose M. Saberan Lamprey | Uxbridge, Mass. |
| June 15 | Mendon | Charles Young | Hopedale, Mass. |
| | | Edna Frances Edmands | Hopedale, Mass. |
| June 25 | Milford, Mass. | Richard E. Hazard, Jr. | Mendon |
| | | Mildred Claire Volpecelli | Milford, Mass. |
| June 25 | Milford, Mass. | Robert B. Dunlap | Mendon |
| | | Joyce A. Campbell | Medway, Mass. |
| July 2 | Cumberland Hill, R. I. | Fred Romanovich | Hopedale, Mass. |
| | | Helen Kushner | Mendon |
| Aug. 13 | Uxbridge, Mass. | Charles Francis Driscoll | Hull, Mass. |
| | | Frances C. Donovan | Mendon |
| Aug. 19 | Mendon | Howard F. Miller | Attleboro, Mass. |
| | | Mildred E. Barnes | Mendon |
| Aug. 20 | Milford, Mass. | Raymond Little | Somerville, Mass. |
| | | Alice Daniels Freeman | Mendon |
| Sept. 1 | Milford, Mass. | Kenneth H. Kollett | Millville, Mass. |
| | | Doris L. Grant | Mendon |
| Sept. 10 | Hopedale, Mass. | Walter Irving Coffin | Southboro, Mass. |
| | | Nancy A. Taft Allen | Mendon |
| Oct. 1 | Hopedale, Mass. | Thomas D. Hackenson | Mendon |
| | | Dorothy Charge | Hopedale, Mass. |
| Oct. 15 | Hopedale, Mass. | George Francis Creamer, Jr. | Hopedale, Mass. |
| | | Marilyn Patricia Shaw | Mendon |
| Dec. 31 | Milford, Mass. | Donald V. Hazard | Mendon |
| | | Dorothy Lena Maron | Milford, Mass. |

DEATHS REGISTERED IN 1949.

| Date of Death 1949 | Name | Age | | | Cause of Death |
|--------------------------|-------------------------------|-----|----|----|-------------------------------|
| | | Y | M | D | |
| Jan. 8 | Rose Conway Curran | 83 | 0 | 0 | Coronary thrombosis |
| 25 | Samuel Walker Wood | 73 | 10 | 2 | Coronary heart disease |
| Feb. 25 | Chester Dautrich | 44 | 7 | 3 | Gastric-intestinal hemorrhage |
| Apr. 8 | John F. Powers | 70 | 7 | 0 | Cerebral apoplexy |
| 22 | Fred Reeves | 70 | 4 | 2 | Cerebral hemorrhage |
| May 3 | Raymond F. Coe | 51 | 4 | 3 | Coronary occlusion |
| June 5 | Jane Grace McTurk | 51 | 0 | 28 | Arterial hypertension |
| 3 | Ellen J. Reneau | 0 | 5 | 19 | Menigitis |
| July 28 | Margaret Jane McIntosh Weaver | 86 | 3 | 27 | Cerebral thrombosis |
| 30 | Laforest W. F. Brown | 83 | 0 | 0 | Chronic myocarditis |
| Aug. 28 | Mary Jane Deane | 88 | 7 | 4 | Arteriosclerosis |
| Sept. 13 | Patrick Casey | 82 | 10 | 29 | Coronary thrombosis |
| Oct. 28 | Joseph Edward Booth | 54 | 8 | 3 | Coronary thrombosis |
| Nov. 11 | Janet Francey | 7 | 6 | 27 | Cerebral hemorrhage |
| Dec. 3 | Charles Barber Goss | 99 | 2 | 20 | Old age |
| 10 | Lilla Susan Alger Rowe | 77 | 3 | 8 | Congestive heart failure |
| 26 | Seth Schofield Kelly, Jr. | 21 | 9 | 5 | Skull fracture |

Parents and others are requested to carefully examine the above lists and if any errors or omissions are discovered report them at once to the town clerk, that the record may be corrected, as it is of importance that the records of Vital Statistics should be complete. Herewith are extracts from the General Laws, Chapter 46.

GENERAL LAWS, CHAPTER 46, SECTION 3.

(As Amended by Chapter 281, Section 1, Acts of 1925).

Every physician, or hospital medical officer registered under section nine of chapter one hundred and twelve, in this chapter called officer, shall keep a record of the birth of every child in cases of which he was in charge, showing date and place of birth, the name, if any, of the child, its sex and color, the name, age, birthplace, occupation and residence (including the street number, if any, and the ward number, if in a city) of each parent, the maiden name of the mother and the name of the physician or officer, if any, personally attending the birth. If the child is illegitimate, the name of, and other facts relating to the father shall not be set forth except upon written request of both the father and mother; provided, that if an illegitimate child shall have become legitimate by the intermarriage of his parents and the acknowledgment of his father, as provided in section seven of chapter one hundred and ninety, prior to the mailing or delivery of any report herein required, such report shall read, in all respects, as if such child had been born to such parents in lawful wedlock. Said physician or officer shall, within fifteen days after such birth, mail or deliver to the clerk or registrar of the town where such birth occurred, a report stating the facts hereinabove required to be shown on said record and also the said written request, if any; provided, that if said report is not so made within forty-eight hours after such birth, said physician or officer shall, within said forty-eight hours, mail or deliver to said clerk or registrar

a notice stating the date and place of the birth, the street number, if any, the ward number, if in a city, and the family name. Upon presentation to him of a certificate of the town clerk stating that any such birth has been duly reported, the town treasurer shall pay to such physician or officer a fee of twenty-five cents for each birth so reported. Any physician or any such officer violating any provision of this section shall forfeit not more than twenty-five dollars. The said town clerk or registrar shall file daily with the local board of health a list of all births reported to him, showing, as to each, the date of birth, sex, color, family name, residence, ward and physician or officer in charge.

GENERAL LAWS, CHAPTER 46, SECTION 6.

Parents, within forty days after the birth of a child, and every householder, within forty days after a birth in his house, shall cause notice thereof to be given to the clerk of the town where such child is born * * *.

Blanks may be obtained upon application to the town clerk.

NOTICE

SOME OF THE MANY

REASONS WHY BIRTHS SHOULD BE RECORDED.

To establish identity.

To prove nationality.

To prove legitimacy.

To show when the child has the right to enter school.

To show when the child has the right to seek employment under the child labor law.

To establish the right of inheritance to property.

To establish liability to military duty, as well as exemption therefrom.

To establish age and citizenship in order to vote.

To qualify to hold title to, and to buy or sell real estate.

To establish the right to hold public office.

To prove the age at which the marriage contract may be entered into.

To prove age to determine validity of a contract entered into by an alleged minor.

To prove age for Old Age Assistance.

To prove age so as to have the right to take Civil Service Examinations.

Parents be sure to record the birth of your child with given name in full.

Your co-operation to the end that all births may be properly recorded will be greatly appreciated.

Your attention is called to the provisions of Section 36 and 55 of Chapter 207 of the General Laws relating to marriages solemnized out of this state, which are as follows:

“Section 29 of Chapter 151 of the Revised Laws: If a marriage is solemnized in another state between parties living in this Commonwealth who return to dwell here they shall, within seven days after their return, file with the clerk

or registrar of the city or town in which either of them lived at the time of their marriage, a certificate or declaration of their marriage, including the facts relative to marriages, which are required by law, and for neglect thereof shall forfeit ten dollars."

Blanks for the return of all Vital records can be obtained from the Town Clerk.

I take this opportunity in wishing the Townspeople a very prosperous year during 1950.

Respectfully submitted,

ALBERT S. COLEMAN,

Town Clerk.

Mendon, January 1, 1950.

REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

1949.

| | |
|--|----------|
| Inspection of vacant cottages, 36 cottages, 3 times each | 108 |
| Stolen cars recovered | 5 |
| Messages delivered | 10 |
| Complaints answered | 214 |
| Auto accidents investigated | 23 |
| Breaks investigated | 14 |
| Arrests made | 10 |
| Summons served | 6 |
| Warrants served | 3 |
| Court cases | 8 |
| Superior Court cases | 2 |
| Assisted out of town police | 12 |
| Patrolling highways | 304 hrs. |
| Inspecting cottages | 30 hrs. |
| Investigating accidents | 102 hrs. |
| Admitted to County jail | 2 |
| Admitted to State Institution | 1 |

REPORT OF FIRE ENGINEERS.

To the Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

The Fire Department answered 24 alarms, as follows:

| | |
|------------------|---------------------|
| 6 Chimney Fires | 1 Hen House Fire |
| 5 Dwelling Fires | 1 Shack Fire |
| 1 Barn Fire | 1 Oil Burner Fire |
| 1 Auto Fire | 4 July Fourth Fires |
| 1 Tar Truck Fire | 2 Hallowe'en Fires |
| 1 Shed Fire | |

The estimated damage of these fires was \$6,406.00.

The Fire Department moved into the new Fire Station, February 13, 1949. On the same day Engine No. 3 was delivered.

The department participated in the following activities:

July 4: Horrible Parade. Entertainment and refreshments for all.

October 29: Soap Box Derby.

And in conjunction with the Mendon Grange, lighted the tree at Christmas time on Founders Park.

The firemen painted the apparatus floor and finished off a kitchen and meeting room in the upstairs of the station. This was done at a cost of over \$425 taken from the Firemen's Treasury.

The firemen pumped out and cleaned the Town Well as well as several others in town; and at practice sessions wet down several gardens that might have been severely damaged due to the drought.

In December we had a short circuit in the fire alarm system causing five false alarms before the trouble was located and repaired.

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD F. LOWELL, Chief,

NORRY J. DAIGE,

Fire Engineers.

REPORT OF THE FOREST WARDEN.

To the Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

Forest Fire Department answered 19 alarms, burning over $4\frac{1}{4}$ acres of grass land and 2 acres of brush land.

On April 2, this department answered a call for help in Blackstone, to a fire which burned over hundreds of acres of woodland.

The Forest Warden believes our record was kept to a minimum due to care and cooperation of towns-people during the long dry season, for which he is greatly appreciative.

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD F. LOWELL,

Forest Warden.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH.

During the past year, the Board of Health instituted the fluorine treatment as a regular procedure to prevent tooth decay, upon the recommendation of the State Board of Health. All children in the first grade will receive this beneficial treatment annually.

There were no cases at the Worcester County Sanatorium in 1949. In anticipation of a possible case, the Board is asking for enough money in 1950 to take care of such an eventuality.

There were several requests for testing of wells; so many, in fact, that the State Board of Health asked us to restrict requests to those cases where there was sickness that could be attributable to impure water. In all cases of well tests, the State engineer recommends tight fitting covers, sealed walls to a depth of four feet to prevent surface water infiltration, and a good distance from sewage drains or receptacles. So we recommend in turn that anyone who has any question of the purity of his well that he take these steps prior to any request for the testing of his well.

Respectfully submitted,

D. VICTOR SMITH,

Chairman.

REPORT OF THE PUBLIC WEIGHER.

Report of Year's Weighings:

38 weighings @ 40 cents \$15 20

Respectfully submitted,
 MARTHA E. DUDLEY,
 Public Weigher.

REPORT OF INSPECTORS OF SLAUGHTERING.

To the Board of Health:

The following animals have been examined and passed by
 us during the year 1949:

- 1 Beef.
- 2 Veal.

Respectfully submitted,
 FRANK R. PHILLIPS,
 WILLARD N. SEIBERT,
 Inspectors of Slaughtering.

REPORT OF SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

| | Scales | Amount |
|----------------------------|---|---|
| Scales under 100 lbs. | 5 | \$2.50 |
| Scales over 100 lbs. | 1 | 1.00 |
| Gasoline pumps | 8 | 2.00 |
| | <hr style="width: 10%; display: inline-block; vertical-align: middle;"/> 14 | <hr style="width: 10%; display: inline-block; vertical-align: middle;"/> \$5.50 |

Fees and adjusting charges authorized by Section 56
G. L. Ch. 98 as amended by Ch. 34 Acts of 1949.

I have collected \$5.50 for sealing fees and have turned
this amount over to the Town Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,
CLYDE F. SAUNDERS,
Sealer.

REPORT OF THE HIGHWAY SURVEYOR.

To the Board of Selectmen

Gentlemen:

I submit the following annual report of work done on the Town roads for the year 1949:

CHAPTER 81.

11,475 gallons of asphalt and 6,074 gallons of tar were applied to various roads under this Chapter.

Park Street near the residence of George Daige was improved for a distance of 600 feet. The road bed was raised and the road widened to overcome a hazardous place which was made worse whenever there was a heavy rain.

About 1,300 yards of gravel was applied on Blackstone Street, thus improving the road to the Blackstone line.

Bates Street was widened near the Bellingham town line, now making it easier for the school bus and trucks to pass the corner.

Washington Street was widened near Mr. Munsell's house so that two cars may now pass more easily. Some large limbs were removed in order to permit the sand truck to operate with less difficulty.

2,785 yards of gravel were applied on various roads during 1949.

Three new culverts were installed on North Avenue.

Ledge that was too close to the road was removed on Hartford Avenue, West.

Removal of brush is costing the town considerable money, and I would like to suggest that if the property owners whose land abutts the highways would give us a little help in this matter, we would have more money with which to make improvements on the narrow roads and curves. There are some who keep the sides of their property clear of brush, and I want to express the appreciation of the highway department to them for their cooperation.

Brush was cut on all roads last year and drainage cleared.

TAFT AVENUE.

This road needed considerable drainage. There were 516 feet of pipe installed, the cost of the pipe alone being \$838.00. This pipe was perforated and trap rock was used to cover it to the top of the surface to be certain of good drainage. It was necessary to remove 16 large trees. Some had to be topped because of the many wires strung across the road.

The Trimont Bituminous Products Company allowed a special discount for the tar used on this road of two cents per gallon, and with some help from Chapter 81, we now have a mixed and place road.

CHAPTER 90 MAINTENANCE.

10,758 gallons of asphalt and 6,045 gallons of tar were applied on North Avenue, Providence Street and Northbridge Road.

A distance of 7,100 feet was honed on Providence Street. This will help to keep the road from breaking until such time as it can be rebuilt.

This year plans are being made to start at the Blackstone line and rebuild a section of this street under Chapter 90 Construction, and each year thereafter to rebuild another section until the remainder is finished.

On Hartford Avenue West, 3,500 feet of road was honed. It is expected that considerable traffic will pass over this road during the construction on Route 16, and this treatment should help considerably to keep the road in good condition.

The entire length of Northbridge Road was surface treated, as well as 4,500 feet on North Avenue.

Brush and drainage was taken care of on all Chapter 90 roads.

CHAPTER 90 CONSTRUCTION.

Work was completed on Hartford Avenue West to the Uxbridge town line. There was considerable blasting done and 440 feet of drain pipe installed, thus putting this road in very good shape.

SNOW REMOVAL.

The town is much better protected against icy roads than it has been in the past. There is a stock pile of sand and salt mixed, ready for instant use. Arrangements have been made for the use of a loader in case it becomes necessary. There are also about fifteen tons of salt in the highway barn.

CONCLUSION.

The employees of the Highway Department have given of their time so that everything in the department is now in good order. All tools have been painted for identification and racks made and painted in which to keep the tools in place.

I wish to thank the Board of Selectmen, the Townspeople and the State and County Engineers for their cooperation and assistance during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM R. BOWEN,

Highway Surveyor.

SIXTY-NINTH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TRUSTEES OF THE TAFT PUBLIC LIBRARY.

The Trustees of the Taft Public Library submit the report of the Librarian, Financial Report, and Trustees' Report for the year ending December 31, 1949.

The resignation of Mrs. Verena R. Daley from the Board of Trustees became effective July 1, 1949. Mrs. Daley has been connected with the Taft Public Library for many years and it was with regret that the Trustees accepted her resignation. She served as Librarian from 1924 to 1945 and as a member of the Trustees from 1945 to 1949. Her efficient assistance, public spirited efforts, and wide knowledge of library problems will long be remembered by the community.

The most immediate need of the Library is a complete paint job on the exterior. The building has not been painted for many years and the Trustees recommend a special appropriation for that purpose. The installation of additional book shelves in the basement is also desirable. Some minor repairs to furniture should be made.

At the Trustees' meeting of June 23, 1949, Mr. Henry P. Clough was appointed to serve as a member of the Board until the town election in March, 1950.

The Trustees wish to express their appreciation for the excellent work of Mrs. Vestella M. Daniels, Librarian.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY P. CLOUGH,

Clerk Library Trustees.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

To the Trustees of the Taft Public Library.

The circulation for the year (99 days) was 4,220 volumes, an increase of 662 over last year, which shows an increased interest on the part of the townspeople in their library. The largest number given out in one day was 118; the smallest, 11; the average, 42. Circulation by classes was as follows:—Fiction, 2,418; Juvenile, 850; Magazines, 618. Biography, 78; Travel, 41; History, 58; Literature, 25; Sciences and all others, 132. 117 new books have been added to the Library; 47 by the Fletcher Fund and 70 by the Town. Also, we have received by gift 29 books, 24 of which are Juvenile. There are now 10,512 volumes in the Library.

The Library subscribes to the following magazines:—American, American Home, Atlantic Monthly, Better Homes and Gardens, Boys' Life, Colliers, Good Housekeeping, Ladies' Home Journal, Life, McCalls, National Geographic, Popular Mechanics, Reader's Digest, Red Book, Saturday Evening Post, Time and Woman's Home Companion. Fines collected during the year amounted to \$23.26, which has been turned over to the Town Treasurer.

The Librarian attended two sessions of the Library Institute held at Simmons College, Boston, in June. During July and August a Story Hour for children from 5 to 8 years of age and a Book Hour for children from 8 to 11 were held at the Library on Thursday afternoons. Two high school assistants, Lorna Wagner and Janet Robinson conducted these groups under the supervision of the Librarian, with a total enrollment of 28 children.

Respectfully submitted,

VESTELLA M. DANIELS,

Librarian.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

AND

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

OF THE

TOWN OF MENDON

MASSACHUSETTS

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1949

SCHOOL DIRECTORY 1949—1950.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

| | |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------|
| Gordon R. Good, Chairman | Term Expires 1951 |
| John L. Lundvall | Term Expires 1950 |
| Herbert F. Bowen, Secretary | Term Expires 1952 |

Regular meetings held at the Center School building on the fourth Monday of each month at 7.30 P. M.

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS—PERCY L. ROWE, B.S.E., Ed. M.

The Superintendent may be met every Tuesday and Wednesday at the Mendon High School or by appointment.

Office—Center School, Bellingham Center
Office Hours—4 to 5 o'clock P. M. on school days.

Telephone, Milford 152-4

SCHOOL PHYSICIAN.

Francis L. Berry, M. D. Telephone, Milford 2934-R
K. A. Campbell, M. D. (Resigned)

SCHOOL NURSE.

Ruth Manuel, R. N. Milford District Nursing Association

JANITOR.

Raymond Barrows Mendon, Mass.

TRANSPORTATION AGENTS

Harold C. Barrows, Mendon, Mass.
Jesse F. White, Mendon, Mass.

ATTENDANCE OFFICER

Robert Bartlett
Mendon, Mass.

TEACHERS.

| Name | Subject or Grade. | Preparation | Degrees or Yrs. in Town | Yrs. Ser. |
|----------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|-------------------------|------------|
| Henry P. Clough, Principal | Algebra, French, Geometry, Geography | Dartmouth College and New Hampshire University | B.S. | Ed.M. 22nd |
| Raymond F. Biedrzycki | Math., Biology, Science, Physics | Rhode Island State | B.S. | Fourth |
| Mary C. McCormack | Commercial Ed. History | Regis College | B.S. | Fifth |
| Louise Benotti | Home Economics, Social Science | Simmons College | B.S. | Third |
| Doris O'Neill | English, Latin | Worcester State Tea. Col. | B.S.E. | Second |
| Mary E. Phelan | Grade 6 | Regis College | A.B. | First |
| Virginia Mayo | Grades 4 and 5 | Bridgewater State Tea. Col. | B.S.E. | Sixth |
| Barbara Seaver | Grades 3 and 4 | Framingham State Tea. Col. | B.S.E. | Fifth |
| Grace Gaskell | Grade 2 | Framingham State Tea. Col. | Two | Eleventh |
| Bertha Hammann | Grade 1 | Rhode Island College | 2½ | Fourth |

SUPERVISORS.

| Name | Subject | Preparation | Degrees or Yrs. in Town | Yrs. Ser. |
|---------------------|-------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------|-----------|
| Christine Wilson | Music | N. E. Conservatory of Music | Diploma Second 3 Yrs. | |
| William L. Rinehart | Handwriting | University of Pittsburg | M. A. | Third |

SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR PERIOD FROM
JANUARY, 1950 TO JUNE, 1950.

HIGH SCHOOL.

Open January 3, 1950, Close April 14, 1950.

Open April 24, 1950, Close June 16, 1950.

SUMMER VACATION.

Open September 6, 1950, Close December 21, 1950.

Open January 2, 1951, Close April 13, 1951.

Open April 23, 1951, Close June 15, 1951.

ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS.

Close February 17, 1950.

Open February 27, 1950.

Otherwise, same as High School.

Close June 9, 1950.

Close June 8, 1951.

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS.

February 22, 1950, Washington's Birthday.

May 30, 1950, Memorial Day.

October 12, 1950, Columbus Day.

Thanksgiving Recess, Thanksgiving Day and Friday
following.

All Legal Holidays.

AGE OF ADMISSION TO SCHOOL.

Any child who becomes six years of age on or before January first of the year following the term when he wishes to enter school may be admitted into the first grade, but in every case the admission of a child under six shall be dependent upon the fitness of the child to profit by the work of the school, such fitness to be determined by the superintendent. Pupils under seven years of age who have not previously attended school shall not be permitted to enter later than thirty days after the opening of school in September of any school year.

SCHOOL REGULATIONS.

Any complaint or representation which any person desires to make shall be presented or referred in writing to the superintendent of schools, who, at his discretion may bring it before the school committee. In cases of discipline or other school matters relating to their children, parents shall first discuss the matter with the teacher concerned. If for some reason they are not satisfied they will further discuss the matter with the following persons, if necessary, and in the following order: first, the principal of the building and then the superintendent of schools. If, finally, the superintendent has been unable to satisfy the parents, he shall report the case to the school committee for consideration and action.

THE NO SCHOOL SIGNAL.

It is the policy of the school officials to practically abandon the use of the "no school" signal on account of weather conditions. This is in line with what many other cities and towns are doing. The reasons for so doing are that much con-

fusion has resulted from the use of the "no school" signal, and the realization that the loss of even one school day is a very serious one.

However, there may be days when it is advisable to close schools on account of severe weather conditions or other emergency.

Arrangements have been made with Radio Stations WNAC, WBZ, WEAN and WWON to broadcast the fact whenever it is necessary to close the schools. The "no school" signals are usually given before, during or immediately after the news program. The siren will also blow two blasts twice at 7.30 A. M.

If schools do not close on any particularly bad day (rain, snow, or cold) parents are requested, and urged, to use their own judgment in sending their children to school.

SCHOOL FINANCIAL REPORT.

RECEIPTS.

| | |
|-----------------------------|-------------|
| General Appropriation | \$46,262 65 |
| Dog Tax, 1949 | 399 35 |
| Total Receipts | \$46,662 00 |
| Total Expenditures | \$46,139 58 |
| Unexpended Balance | 522 42 |

REIMBURSEMENTS.

| | |
|--|-------------|
| State Aid | \$9,078 46 |
| Tuition | 50 54 |
| Superintendent: Salary and Trans- portation | 773 32 |
| All School Transportation | 6,371 51 |
| Boston City Wards | 165 50 |
| State Wards | 72 04 |
| Vocational Education | 605 74 |
| Total Reimbursements | \$17,117 11 |

TAXATION COST OF SCHOOLS.

| | |
|----------------------------|-------------|
| Total Expenditures | \$46,139 58 |
| Reimbursements | 17,117 11 |
| Net Cost by Taxation | \$29,022 47 |

Expenditures:

| | |
|--------------------------------|----------|
| School Committee Expense | \$41 50 |
| Superintendent's Salary | 1,999 78 |

| | |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Superintendent's Expense | 242 48 |
| Music Supervisor's Salary | 563 00 |
| Handwriting Supervisor's Salary | 350 00 |
| Teachers' Salaries | 23,056 82 |
| Textbooks | 1,080 09 |
| School Supplies | 762 76 |
| Wages of Janitor | 2,389 30 |
| Fuel | 1,584 23 |
| Janitors' Supplies | 505 58 |
| Electricity | 377 70 |
| Telephone | 104 06 |
| Repairs | 2,425 00 |
| Maintenance | 1,288 07 |
| Libraries | 32 49 |
| Health | 452 84 |
| Transportation | 7,826 08 |
| New Equipment | 1,057 80 |
| Total Expenditures | <hr/> \$46,139 58 |

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

To the Citizens of the Town of Mendon:

The excellent quality of instruction in our schools this year has been due largely to the efforts of our Superintendent, Mr. Percy Rowe and to our Principal, Mr. Henry Clough, who together with the faculty personnel were forced to make rapid adjustments at the beginning of the year to accommodate an unusually large number of pupils in the lower grades.

The selection of Mendon as an attractive town in which to build and live is making itself felt by increased enrollment in our schools. We believe this to be a definite trend. September school opening of nineteen hundred and fifty should find more than one hundred pupils in the three lower grades. A continuation of this trend over the ensuing years will make necessary more class rooms to house the individual grades of our elementary school.

The committee believes it will be possible to cope with the situation for the coming year but some planning may be necessary for the future.

It is with regret that we have been forced to accept the resignation of Doctor K. A. Campbell after some twenty years of excellent service as our school physician.

Transportation at no cost to the town was provided by Mr. Jesse White for pupils attending out of town athletic contests and his generosity in this regard is appreciated.

Four class rooms have been completely redecorated in pastel shades increasing the amount of light available in these rooms. Two class rooms have been equipped with new desks and chairs of the modern movable type.

The installation of emergency lighting has permitted more extensive use of the building in the evening both for adult education and increased student activities.

The boiler in our present heating system although it has passed inspection for this year has reached an age at which such boilers should be replaced. Recommendation has been made that an oil burning boiler be installed reducing manual labor and providing more controlled and less expensive heating.

We wish to thank the Parent-Teachers' Association and townspeople for their assistance and co-operation this past year.

Respectfully submitted,

GORDON GOOD, Chairman,

HERBERT BOWEN,

JOHN LUNDVALL,

Mendon School Committee.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

To the School Committee of Mendon:

Gentlemen:

It is with pleasure that I submit to you for your consideration my seventh annual report as Superintendent of Schools in Mendon.

For the first time in many years we were able to open school in September with the same teaching staff. To be able to retain a capable faculty is a most desirable aim in education. Overcrowded classrooms in the elementary grades made it necessary to engage another teacher early in September. Miss Mary E. Phelan, of Boston, and a graduate of Regis College, was selected, and was given grade six. Grades one, two, and six are now single grades.

Excellent progress has been made in the regular daily classroom instruction. Many new textbooks were purchased during the year. Ample supplies and supplementary materials have been furnished. Some new equipment in the science department has been added. The wire recording equipment purchased late in 1948 has been exceedingly helpful in teaching English and speech. Many educational and instructional films have been shown. Outside lectures have been made. Stress has been placed on reading and voice. A very important factor in good instruction is the retaining of teachers in a school system. All teachers returned to their positions in September, one new teacher was engaged in the fall in order to relieve the overcrowded condition in two classrooms. These

two rooms had 46 pupils each which is far too many for efficient teaching. No class in the elementary grades now exceeds thirty-four.

The total school enrollment as of October 1, 1949 was 279. This is an increase of 30 pupils over the figures of a year ago. Next September the enrollment will probably be very close to 300. For the next year or two the school attendance figures will have to be carefully studied. It could very well be that additional classroom space will be necessary within two or three years. Judging from the birth rate alone, present facilities should be adequate until 1953 or 1954. The influx of new families is a factor which makes it rather difficult to determine very accurately the school population in the immediate or near future. The following table shows the enrollment on October 1 in both high and elementary grades over an eight year period.

| | Elementary | High | Total |
|------|------------|------|-------|
| 1949 | 213 | 66 | 279 |
| 1948 | 189 | 60 | 249 |
| 1947 | 198 | 51 | 249 |
| 1946 | 189 | 58 | 247 |
| 1945 | 195 | 54 | 249 |
| 1944 | 203 | 59 | 262 |
| 1943 | 221 | 63 | 284 |
| 1942 | 237 | 70 | 307 |

Some changes have been made which should result in still better school and community health. The health of each child is the most important goal of our school program, and accordingly, the work of the school physician and his staff is of the utmost significance. We are confident that our new school physician will help us to attain this goal.

Through the courtesy of the town of Mendon Health Department all of the children of the first grade were given a

fluorine treatment for teeth. Through the kindness of the Worcester County Health Association in loaning its most modern ear-testing and eye-testing apparatus the ears and eyes of every pupil were carefully tested.

American Education Week was observed November 6-12. As a part of the program for Education Week an evening session of all classes was held on Monday evening, November 7. This gave an opportunity to fathers as well as mothers to visit classrooms. An excellent attendance of parents took advantage of this opportunity to see for the most part the regular school work of all classes.

In October two adult evening sewing classes were organized under the direction of Mrs. Anne Davenport. Two classes a week were held for a ten-week period. A large number of Mendon residents attended the sessions of these classes and will exhibit their garments in the school cafeteria the latter part of January.

The school census was taken in October. The figures in the following table may not agree with the Age-Grade Enrollment Chart, because some of the five-year old children are not enrolled in the school membership, being too young to attend school. There are also pupils 16 years of age, or over, in school who would not be included in the following figures.

DISTRIBUTION OF MINORS OCTOBER 1, 1949.

| | 5 years or over and under 7 | 7 years or over and under 16 |
|-------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Boys | 31 | 111 |
| Girls | 27 | 120 |
| | — | — |
| Total | 58 | 231 |

| | | |
|------------------------------------|----|-----|
| In public school membership | 35 | 207 |
| In private school membership | 3 | 18 |
| Not enrolled in any school | 20 | 6 |
| | — | — |
| Total | 58 | 231 |

Since Dr. K. A. Campbell, our school physician for many years, felt it necessary to resign late in summer, the School Committee appointed Dr. Francis L. Berry, of Mendon, to that position in September. We wish to express our appreciation for the splendid work done by Dr. Campbell in our school system over a period of years. He gave freely of his time, was very faithful and conscientious in performing his duties, and will be missed by the entire school personnel. We all wish him the best of everything in life in the future.

The school health program has been most successfully carried on under the direction of our new school physician, Dr. Berry.

In addition to regular routine repairs such as plumbing, heating, and electrical work, the following more important things have been done:

Repaired tennis court fence.

Repaired classroom windows, two rooms.

Installed metal fire door in shaft to attic.

Painted and completely refinished four classrooms.

Painted cafeteria floor and home economics room floor.

Began painting lunch room ceiling.

Vacuum pump overhauled.

Refinished all floors and corridors.

New window shades, one classroom.

The major repair program for the coming year should include a continuation of the painting of classrooms and the installation of automatic oil heat. The old heating system is inefficient, expensive, and requires almost constant attention from the first of December until the first of April. Rather expensive repairs seem to be necessary each summer, especially on the inside boiler brickwork.

Among the new equipment items obtained during the year are the following:

8 additional "Instant" fire extinguishers.

Double emergency lighting unit for cafeteria.

"Exit" signs in cafeteria.

2 new typewriters.

Additional tables and chairs for lunch room.

New modern movable tables and chairs for two classrooms.

In concluding I wish to express my sincere thanks for your very generous and able assistance during the year. The excellent cooperation of the Principal, Mr. Clough, the teachers, parents, pupils, friends, and citizens is also deeply appreciated. Better education results by the intelligent, constructive, and cooperative participation of all.

Respectfully submitted,

PERCY L. ROWE,

Superintendent of Schools.

AGE AND GRADE CHART

October 1, 1949

| GRADE | AGE | | Totals | | | | | | | | | | | | Totals | |
|-------|-----|-----|--------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|--------|--------|
| | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | Boys | Girls | Totals |
| I | B | 2 | 12 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| | G | 5 | 11 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 14 | 18 | 32 |
| II | B | ... | 5 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| | G | ... | 14 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 20 | 16 | 36 |
| III | B | ... | 3 | 12 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| | G | ... | 8 | 4 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 7 | 17 | 24 |
| IV | B | ... | ... | 8 | 1 | 4 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| | G | ... | ... | 2 | 6 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 14 | 7 | 21 |
| V | B | ... | ... | 1 | 1 | 7 | 5 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| | G | ... | ... | ... | 2 | 9 | ... | 1 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 15 | 12 | 27 |
| VI | B | ... | ... | ... | ... | 3 | 4 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| | G | ... | ... | ... | ... | 2 | 11 | 1 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 12 | 15 | 27 |
| VII | B | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 6 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 2 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| | G | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 5 | 3 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | 14 | 9 | 23 |
| VIII | B | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 2 | 3 | ... | 2 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| | G | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 4 | 10 | 2 | 5 | ... | ... | 7 | 16 | 23 |
| IX | B | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 2 | 9 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| | G | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 2 | 5 | 1 | ... | ... | 16 | 8 | 24 |
| X | B | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 5 | 3 | 1 | ... | ... | ... |
| | G | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 7 | 1 | ... | 9 | 9 | 18 |
| XI | B | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 4 | 1 | ... | ... | ... |
| | G | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 5 | ... | 5 | 7 | 12 |
| XII | B | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 3 | ... | ... | ... |
| | G | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 3 | 6 | 3 | 9 | 12 |
| Total | | 7 | 31 | 39 | 17 | 18 | 25 | 21 | 24 | 26 | 19 | 22 | 18 | 12 | 143 | 279 |
| Boys | | 2 | 17 | 17 | 7 | 9 | 14 | 10 | 13 | 10 | 13 | 9 | 5 | 136 | ... | ... |
| Girls | | 5 | 14 | 22 | 10 | 9 | 11 | 11 | 11 | 16 | 9 | 9 | 7 | ... | 143 | ... |

REPORT OF HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL.

To Mr. Percy L. Rowe,
Superintendent of Schools:—

I herewith submit the annual report of Mendon High and Center School for the year ending December 31, 1949.

The registration of the school as a whole shows an increase in enrollment when compared with that of last year. The increase is principally located in the lower grades with some smaller additions in the high school group. The figures for the building on December 23, 1949 are as follows:

Grade I-34; Grade II-34; Grade III-26; Grade IV-22;
Grade V-27; Grade VI-28; Grade VII-25; Grade VIII-24;
Grade IX-23; Grade X-18; Grade XI-11; Grade XII-12.

Graduation exercises of the Class of 1949 took place June 15, 1949. Diplomas were awarded to Marilyn Beal, Marjorie L. Bowen, Jacquelyn M. Curley, Frederick J. Grant, Sylvia M. Harvey, Shirley B. Keefe, Ronald T. Lowell, Richard M. Mattson, Gertrude Oppewal, Laurita A. Phipps, Ethel J. Rogers, Lorna F. Wagner. Highest and second highest scholastic honors were attained by Lorna F. Wagner and Marilyn Beal respectively. The Mendon High School Alumni Medal and the Daughters of the American Revolution Good Citizenship Award were awarded to Laurita A. Phipps.

The Annual prize speaking program was given March 25, 1949 at the Mendon Town Hall. Jean A. Beal, Edward J. Lamothe, Gloria M. Manton, Fred R. Phipps, Faye A. Pouliot, Janet M. Robinson, Cecile M. Rondeau, Helen N. Sabin, and Shirley M. Stimpson presented readings.

Janet M. Robinson, Helen N. Sabin, and Faye A. Pouliot were the winners of first, second, and third prizes respectively.

The Senior Play of the current year, *In Spring the Sap*, was presented with great success on December 2, 1949.

The teaching staff of the school had no replacements during the year. A rearrangement of crowded grade rooms has made possible an additional teacher in the upper grades. The writer appreciates the very earnest and efficient work of the teachers of the School. The community is fortunate in having good teachers.

In connection with the national observance of American Education Week, an evening session of all grades was held on November 7, 1949. The session was especially well attended by parents.

The demands of modern life seem to call for a larger and ever widening understanding of the world about us. It is especially important both to the individual and to our nation that our young people get as much education as possible. Boys and girls need it that they may be as well prepared as possible in the competition of life. Our nation needs it in order that our republican form of democracy may be preserved by intelligent and honest citizens. Our schools must do everything possible to insist on the development of mental abilities and of moral character.

Parents are urged to confer with the teachers and principal whenever they have questions of any kind pertaining to school matters. It is the sincere wish of the school faculty to be of service to parents so far as possible.

In conclusion, I wish to express deep appreciation for myself and for the teaching staff for the cooperation and assistance of the Superintendent of Schools, Mr. Rowe, the School Committee, the Parent-Teacher Association, and the people of the Town of Mendon.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY P. CLOUGH,

Principal.

MENDON HIGH SCHOOL PRIZE SPEAKING CONTEST

MENDON TOWN HALL,

MARCH 25, 1949

| | |
|-------------------------------------|-----------|
| Honey | Black |
| Janet M. Robinson | |
| A Tragedy in Millinery | Wiggin |
| Cecile M. Rondeau | |
| The Unseen Witness | Wayne |
| Fred R. Phipps | |
| The Late Afternoon of a Nymph | Lincoln |
| Nancy Sabin | |
| The Dove | Yradier |
| High School Chorus | |
| The White Hands of Telham | Davenport |
| Gloria M. Mantoni | |
| The Yellow Wallpaper | Gilman |
| Faye A. Pouliot | |
| Beyond the Last Mile | Morris |
| Edward J. Lamothe | |
| Patient in Room L | Donnell |
| Jean A. Beal | |
| Edith Economizes | Phelps |
| Shirley M. Stimpson | |
| Stein Song | Fenstad |
| High School Chorus | |
| Decision of Judges | |

GRADUATION EXERCISES
OF
MENDON HIGH SCHOOL
UNITARIAN CHURCH
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 15, 1949.

PROGRAM

- Processional—"March of the Priests" Mendelssohn
Mrs. Bertha B. Rogers
- Invocation
Rev. Raymond A. Sabin
- Salutatory and Essay—Theodore Roosevelt
Marilyn Beal
- Essay—George Washington Carver
Sylvia M. Harvey
- Essay—Daniel Chester French
Gertrude Oppewal
- Essay—Winston Churchill
Richard M. Mattson
- Essay—John Wanamaker
Marjorie L. Bowen
- Song—"Come to the Fair" Martin
High School Chorus
- Essay—John Eliot
Laurita A. Phipps
- Essay—Florence Nightingale
Ethel J. Rogers
- Essay—John J. Pershing
Ronald T. Lowell

- Essay—Carl Sandburg
Jacquelyn M. Curley
- Song—"Roses from the South" Strauss
High School Chorus
- Essay—The Wright Brothers
Frederick J. Grant
- Essay—Dwight D. Eisenhower
Shirley B. Keefe
- Essay—Valedictory—Horace Mann
Lorna F. Wagner
- Award and Diploma Presentation
Mr. Gordon R. Good
Chairman of School Committee
- Star Spangled Banner
- Benediction
Rev. Raymond A. Sabin
- Recessional—"Pomp and Circumstance" Elgar
Mrs. Bertha B. Rogers

GRADUATES OF MENDON HIGH SCHOOL
CLASS OF 1949.

Marilyn Beal
Marjorie L. Bowen
Jacquelyn M. Curley
Frederick J. Grant
Sylvia M. Harvey
Shirley B. Keefe
Ronald T. Lowell
Richard M. Mattson
Gertrude Oppewal
Laurita A. Phipps
Ethel J. Rogers
Lorna F. Wagner

MUSIC SUPERVISOR'S REPORT.

To Mr. Percy L. Rowe,
Superintendent of Schools,
Mendon, Massachusetts:—

Dear Mr. Rowe:

Music, like language, is first introduced to the individual through the ear. Almost from birth, a child is conscious of sounds around him. Thus, if in his preschool years, he can hear much music at home, either from the family group, or from the radio or phonograph, he can acquire an extensive repertory of songs and he will attempt to sing without much encouragement. On the other hand, children with no opportunity to develop musical feeling at home, come to school with no ability for musical expression; consequently, musical instruction in the first two years of school has to be given over almost entirely to rote experience, that is, music learned by imitation.

Just as a child has three or four years' experience in speaking a language before he attempts to read it, so before any study of notation is attempted, he must be ready for reading music. Sometimes, depending on the calibre of the class, this music reading readiness is not found until the third grade or even later. However, I try to keep to my schedule with some elasticity of course, of reading from notation with "do" on the first line, by the end of the first half of the second year. The child is encouraged to associate tones with their appropriate notes. This association, as in the formal study of language, results from a slow, painstaking process and must be concerned at first with relatively few

tonal patterns. Through hearing, singing and building these patterns he adds to his musical vocabulary just as through frequent association with word sounds—by seeing, spelling and writing them, he enlarges his language vocabulary.

The language of music, however, is far more complex than that of speech, and requires much patient instruction. It is both scientific and artistic. It is a science, because it represents systematized knowledge and it is an art because this knowledge is made effective through skill in its practice.

I know the youngsters are steadily progressing. The teachers are most co-operative and willing, and once again I wish to thank them and Mr. Rowe for their wonderful co-operation and willingness. It is a pleasure for me to be associated in teaching with them.

Respectfully submitted,

CHRISTINE M. WILSON,

Supervisor of Music Education.

REPORT OF SCHOOL PHYSICIAN.

Mr. Percy L. Rowe,
Superintendent of Schools,
Mendon, Massachusetts:—

Dear Mr. Rowe:

I would like to take this opportunity to report briefly to you on the examinations we have conducted during the past few months.

Pupils of the first, fifth and ninth grades were examined, eighty-eight pupils in all.

Twelve pupils were noted as needing dental evaluation, seven pupils for enlarged (chronically infected) tonsils, one for enlarged glands.

No communicable diseases of any serious nature were found.

The members of the Senior class in the High School had their chests x-rayed at the Consultation Clinic.

May I take this opportunity to thank you and the members of the teaching staff for the fine cooperation and help you have given us.

Sincerely yours,

FRANCIS L. BERRY, M. D.

SCHOOL NURSE'S ANNUAL REPORT

To Mr. Percy L. Rowe,
Superintendent of Schools,
Mendon, Massachusetts.

Dear Mr. Rowe:

May we submit to you the Annual School Nursing report for the year ending December 1949.

Mendon school was visited Tuesday of each week, when school was in session.

Measles, mumps and chicken pox were prevalent this year.

Two cases of poliomyelitis were reported.

Vision testing and audiometer testing of all pupils was completed in September and October.

Both examinations were an addition to the health of our School children, and we are greatly indebted to our State Department for the loan of machines.

| | |
|-------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Mass. Vision Test | 273 pupils examined, 50 defects |
| Audiometer Test | 269 pupils examined, 24 defects |

The nurse assisted Dr. Berry with physicals. The pupils in the first, fifth and ninth grades were examined during the month of October.

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|--------------------------------------|----|
| Referred for dental evaluation | 12 |
| Enlarged tonsils | 7 |
| Enlarged glands | 1 |

At Dr. Berry's request the members of the Senior Class were given chest x-rays in November, at the clinic, conducted by the State Department of Public Health.

Tox-oid clinics were held in Mendon School March 16th, April 13th. Dr. Campbell assisted by the nurses, conducted the clinic.

32 Booster doses.

1 Protective dose.

The following is a summary of the work done by the nurse in her visits to the school:

| | |
|--|-----|
| 1. Classroom inspection | 614 |
| 2. Inspection of pupils | 483 |
| 3. Pupils inspected for disease | 117 |
| 4. Pupils recommended for exclusion | 5 |
| 5. Pupils and nurse conference | 141 |
| 6. Pupils treated for minor injuries | 43 |
| 7. Nurse and teacher conferences | 145 |
| 8. Home visits | 39 |

In closing, may we express our thanks to Dr. Campbell for his kindness, consideration and co-operation through the many years of our work together.

May we thank Mr. Rowe, Dr. F. L. Berry, the School Committee, the Principal and Teachers of Mendon School for their courtesy and co-operation.

Respectfully submitted,

GRACE MORAN, R. N.,

Supervisor of Nurses.

TOWN WARRANT

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

Worcester, ss.

To the Constable of the Town of Mendon in the County of
Worcester, Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Mendon qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs to meet at the Town Hall in said Mendon on Monday, the sixth day of March A. D., 1950, punctually at 9 o'clock A. M., to act on the following articles, 1 and 2. Article 3 and all following Articles on this Warrant will be acted upon Friday, the tenth day of March at 7 P. M.

Article 1. To choose a moderator to preside over said meeting.

Article 2. To bring in their ballots for the following Town Officers:

- One Town Clerk for one year;
- One Selectman for three years;
- One Assessor for three years;
- One Town Treasurer for one year;
- One Constable for one year;
- One Tree Warden for one year;
- One Trustee of the Taft Public Library
for one year;
- One Trustee of the Taft Public Library
for two years;

One Member of the School Committee
for three years;
One Park Commissioner for three years;
One Highway Surveyor for one year;
One Water Commissioner for three years;
all on one ballot designating the office intended for each person voted for.

Article 3. To hear the reports of the several Town Officers and Committees and act thereon.

Article 4. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

Article 5. To appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town expenses for the financial year beginning January 1, 1950.

Article 6. To determine the compensation of the Tax Collector for the ensuing year.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1950 and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year and to renew any note or notes as may be given for the period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44 of the General Laws.

Article 8. To see if the Town will appropriate any sum of money for the improvement and repairs of highways, to be expended under the direction of the Massachusetts Department of Public Works as provided under Chapter 81 of the General Laws as amended, or take any action in relation to the same.

Article 9. To see if the Town will appropriate any sum of money for the operation and repairs of Town machinery, a part or whole to be taken from the Road Machinery fund, or take any action in relation to the same.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate any sum of money for the maintenance of Chapter 90 Roads, said money to be used in conjunction with any money which may be allotted by the State and County for this purpose, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate any sum of money for Chapter 90 New Construction provided the State and County will contribute for such work under the provisions of Chapter 90 of the General Laws.

Article 12. To see what action the Town will take regarding any legal proceedings that may be brought against or by the Town.

Article 13. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to sell any or all real estate owned by the Town by reason of the foreclosure of Tax Title thereon and to execute, acknowledge and deliver a proper deed or deeds therefor, authority therefor to terminate March 5, 1951 or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the dog license refund received from the Worcester County in 1949 to be used for general school expenses in 1950, or take any action in relation to the same.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Assessors with the approval of the Commissioner of Corporations and Taxation to use such an amount of the free cash in the treasury as in their judgment should be used to reduce the tax levy of 1950, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$7,500.00 for the purchase and installation of a new steam heating boiler, oil burner, 5,000 gallon oil tank, and hot water tank in the Mendon High School building, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$700. to purchase and install a 5,000 gallon tank for fuel oil storage for the Town buildings, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$400.00 to repaint Taft Public Library, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$5,000 from available funds to the Stabilization Fund as defined in Chapter 124, Acts of 1945 of the General Laws of Massachusetts, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from the permanent Honor Roll Fund to the New Honor Roll account, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the erection of a permanent Honor Roll for World War II veterans, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of constructing the water system for the extinguishing of fires and for domestic and other purposes, substantially in accordance with the plan submitted in a report of the proposed water supply system by Hayden, Harding & Buchanan, Engineers, and determine how the money shall be provided for, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the Administration of Veterans' Benefits, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purchase of twelve dining tables for the supper room in the Town Hall, (such as are being used in the school building) or take any action in relation to same.

Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to install a light on Elm Street, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 26. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the highway surveyor to grant two weeks vacation with pay to himself and to those employees of said highway department that have worked at least thirty weeks of the preceding calendar year, such pay to be taken from the General Repair account.

Article 27. To see if the Town will accept the lay-out of Harrington Avenue, so-called, as layed out by the County Commissioners and filed with the Board of Selectmen, or take any action in relation to the same.

Article 28. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money for material to finish off the second story of the fire station, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 29. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to clean the interior walls and repaint the ceiling of the Town Hall, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 30. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$500.00 as an annuity to be paid to Mrs. Dorothy

Mantoni for life, or until she remarries, or take any action in relation thereto.

Polls will close at 6.00 P. M.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up an attested copy thereof at the Post Office in said Mendon and causing a copy to be published once in the Milford Daily News, a newspaper published in Milford, Mass., both said posting and publication to be at least seven days before the time of the meeting hereby ordered to be held.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk of said town before the time of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Mendon, this 20th day of February, A. D., 1950.

D. VICTOR SMITH,
HAROLD J. FAIRBANKS,
HAROLD METCALF,
Selectmen of Mendon.

A true copy, attest:

RAYMOND W. ROGERS,
Constable of Mendon.

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Article 5.

| Account | 1949 Appropriation | Transfers and Allotments | 1949 Expenditures | 1950 Recommendation |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|
| | | | | |
| Moderator's Salary | \$10.00 | | \$10.00 | \$10.00 |
| Selectmen's Salaries | 550.00 | | 550.00 | 550.00 |
| Selectmen's Expense | 150.00 | | 149.89 | 250.00 |
| Treasurer's Salary | 350.00 | | 350.00 | 550.00 |
| Treasurer's Expense | 159.00 | | 154.22 | 150.00 |
| Town Accountant Salary | 300.00 | | 300.00 | 400.00 |
| Town Accountant Expense | 25.00 | | 12.17 | 25.00 |
| Town Clerk's Salary | 200.00 | | 200.00 | 200.00 |
| Town Clerk's Expense | 500.00 | | 327.89 | 500.00 |
| Tax Collector's Expense | 200.00 | | 179.31 | 200.00 |
| Assessors' Salaries | 650.00 | | 650.00 | 650.00 |
| Assessors' Expense | 300.00 | | 263.92 | 300.00 |
| Elections and Registrations | 700.00 | | 407.46 | 700.00 |
| Town Counsel Salary | 100.00 | | 100.00 | 100.00 |
| Town Counsel Expense | 75.00 | | 75.00 | 75.00 |
| Clerical Hire for Town Officers | 300.00 | | 299.70 | 300.00 |
| Town Officers' Bonds | 126.75 | | 126.75 | 145.50 |
| Town Hall Maintenance | 600.00 | 112.40 | 712.40 | 700.00 |

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|--------------------------------------|----------|--------|----------|-----------|
| Record Room Maintenance | 500.00 | | 487.16 | 350.00 |
| Heat and Lights—Town Buildings | 2,200.00 | | 1,390.40 | 2,000.00 |
| (Town Halls, Hwy. Barn, Fire Sta.) | | | | |
| Constable's Salary | 25.00 | | 25.00 | 25.00 |
| Police Department | 1,000.00 | 26.11 | 1,026.11 | 1,500.00 |
| Fire Department | 1,000.00 | 665.63 | 1,664.91 | 1,500.00 |
| Forest Fires | 500.00 | | 436.72 | 500.00 |
| Hydrant Rental | 500.00 | | 500.00 | 500.00 |
| Dog Officer | 30.00 | 21.00 | 51.00 | 50.00 |
| Sealer of Weights and Measures | 45.00 | | 45.00 | 45.00 |
| Board of Health | 1,500.00 | | 881.30 | 1,900.00 |
| Tree Warden | 250.00 | | 245.60 | 250.00 |
| Elm Beetle Suppression | 500.00 | | 500.00 | 500.00 |
| Moth Suppression | 200.00 | | 200.00 | 200.00 |
| Inspector of Animals | 150.00 | | 150.00 | 150.00 |
| Inspectors of Slaughtering | 25.00 | | 25.00 | 25.00 |
| Worcester County Hospital | 1,745.56 | | 1,745.56 | 1,403.85 |
| General Repairs | 1,500.00 | | 1,495.51 | 1,500.00 |
| Snow Removal | 2,800.00 | 406.63 | 3,206.63 | 2,800.00 |
| Street Lighting | 627.00 | 57.00 | 646.00 | 684.00 |
| Public Welfare Salaries | 125.00 | | 125.00 | 45.00 |
| Public Welfare Temporary Aid | 3,500.00 | 544.00 | 4,034.13 | 12,000.00 |

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|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Aid to Dependent Children | 2,000.00 | 481.01 | 2,099.70 | 3,000.00 |
| Old Age Assistance | 18,000.00 | 12,783.63 | 27,863.51 | 18,000.00 |
| Old Age Assistance Admin. | 350.00 | 161.96 | 499.38 | 500.00 |
| Veteran's Benefits (Soldiers' Relief) | 500.00 | | 411.90 | 500.00 |
| School Department | 46,262.65 | 399.35 | 46,139.58 | 48,963.31 |
| Vocational Education | 1,500.00 | | 564.19 | 1,500.00 |
| Taft Public Library | 625.00 | | 619.67 | 625.00 |
| Water Dept. Maintenance | 1,050.00 | | 463.27 | 700.00 |
| Soldiers' and Sailors' Graves | 30.00 | | 30.00 | 30.00 |
| Park Department | 200.00 | | 107.00 | 200.00 |
| Memorial Day | 150.00 | | 131.85 | 150.00 |
| Insurance on Town Buildings | 3,323.70 | | 3,211.30 | 1,860.58 |
| Town Reports | 385.12 | | 385.12 | |
| Reserve Fund | 2,000.00 | | 1,644.10 | 2,000.00 |
| Maturing Debt | 4,000.00 | | 4,000.00 | 3,930.00 |
| Interest on Maturing Debt | 1,140.00 | | 1,140.00 | 1,037.50 |
| Interest on Temporary Loans | 50.00 | | 37.01 | 100.00 |
| Tax Title Foreclosure | | | | 50.00 |
| Wor. Co. Retirement Expense Fund | 340.20 | | 340.20 | 401.00 |

1950 RECOMMENDATION.

| | | | |
|-------------|----------------------------------|-------------|------------------|
| Article 6. | 1 1/4 %, not to exceed \$875.00. | Article 20. | \$366.99. |
| Article 8. | \$3,600.00. | Article 21. | \$885.00. |
| Article 9. | \$2,400.00. | Article 22. | No action taken. |
| Article 10. | \$1,500.00. | Article 23. | \$100.00. |
| Article 11. | \$2,000.00 | Article 24. | \$360.00. |
| Article 14. | \$378.69. | Article 25. | No action taken. |
| Article 16. | \$7,500.00. | Article 26. | Disapproved. |
| Article 17. | \$500.00. | Article 28. | \$600.00. |
| Article 18. | \$400.00. | Article 29. | \$600.00. |
| Article 19. | \$5,000.00. | Article 30. | \$500.00. |

Respectfully submitted,
 LEE P. McFARLAND,
 FRANKLIN GOODNOW,
 ROY A. BARROWS,
 Finance Committee.

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ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

TOWN OFFICERS

OF THE

TOWN OF MENDON

INCLUDING THE REPORT OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

FOR THE

Municipal Year Ending December 31, 1950

284th ANNUAL REPORT

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1951

TOWN OF MENDON.

Town of Mendon Incorporated May 15, 1667.

Population 1504, 1945 Census.

Registered Voters in 1950: 861.

Annual Election: First Monday in March.

Annual Meeting: First Friday Evening after the first Monday in March.

County Commissioners:

| | |
|------------------------------------|-----------|
| Francis E. Cassidy, Chairman | Webster |
| George W. Jones | Worcester |
| P. Eugene Casey | Milford |

Fourteenth Congressional District:

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|---|
| Congressman, Joseph William Martin, Jr. |
| North Attleboro |

Fourth Senatorial District:

| | |
|---------------------------------|---------|
| Senator, Joseph E. Gibney | Webster |
|---------------------------------|---------|

Ninth Worcester Representative District:

Representatives General Court:

| | |
|---------------------------|------------|
| Peter F. Fitzgerald | Blackstone |
| Charles Mullaly, Jr. | Millville |

Sheriff for Worcester County:

| | |
|--------------------------|-----------|
| William A. Bennett | Worcester |
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TOWN OFFICERS.

SELECTMEN.

(Selectmen serve as Board of Public Welfare
Board of Health and Fence Viewers).

John L. Lundvall Harold Metcalf Harold J. Fairbanks

TOWN CLERK.

Albert S. Coleman

TOWN TREASURER.

Silas H. Dudley

TAX COLLECTOR.

Arthur P. Dalton

ASSESSORS.

Donald B. Lowell D. Kinsley Barnes
Charles F. Leonard, Clerk

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Herbert Bowen Gordon R. Good Richard F. Harding

TRUSTEES OF TAFT PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Harold Fairbanks Percy Rowe Nina M. Burr
Gordon Good Henry P. Clough, Secretary

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS.

| | |
|-----------------|--------------------------|
| Asa Vear | Joseph W. McEwen |
| Fred L. Kempton | Albert S. Coleman, Clerk |

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

| | | |
|---------------------|----------------|------------------|
| Franklin E. Goodnow | Roy A. Barrows | Lee P. McFarland |
|---------------------|----------------|------------------|

PARK COMMISSIONERS.

| | | |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------|-------------|
| Norry J. Daige | George A. Johnson | Fred Phipps |
| Chief of Police | Raymond W. Rogers | |
| Constable | Raymond W. Rogers | |
| Tree Warden | William E. Nuttall | |
| Town Solicitor | Shelley D. Vincent | |
| Dog Officer | Raymond A. Miller | |
| Wiring Inspector | Walter J. Channing | |
| Sealer of Weights and Measures | Raymond A. Miller | |
| Superintendent of Schools | Percy Rowe | |
| Fire Chief and Forest Warden | Harold F. Lowell | |
| Superintendent of Streets | William R. Bowen | |
| Burial Agent | Norry J. Daige | |

Inspector of Slaughtering Willard Seibert

Inspector of Animals Roy Barrows

Town Accountant Helen F. Irons

WATER COMMISSIONERS.

Franklin Goodnow Everett Watson Donato Leone

SURVEYORS OF WOOD AND BARK.

Arthur V. Pond Carl Wagner

FIELD DRIVERS.

Alex Woleck Edward Goss W. Arthur Robinson

FINANCIAL REPORTS.

MODERATOR—SALARY.

| | |
|----------------------|---------|
| Appropriation | \$10 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Roy A. Barrows | \$10 00 |

SELECTMEN—SALARIES.

| | |
|---------------------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$550 00 |
| Expended: | |
| D. Victor Smith | \$41 67 |
| Harold J. Fairbanks | 233 33 |
| Harold Metcalf | 150 00 |
| John L. Lundvall | 125 00 |
| Total Expended | \$550 00 |

SELECTMEN—EXPENSES.

| | |
|----------------------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$250 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Postage | \$18 00 |
| Stationery and Supplies .. | 35 45 |
| Advertising licenses and | |
| bids | 55 06 |
| Delivering Town Reports | 15 00 |
| Dues to State Asso. | 15 00 |
| Hobbs & Warren, Inc., | |
| forms | 9 68 |
| Perambulating Town | |
| bounds | 100 00 |
| Total Expended | \$248 19 |
| Unexpended | 1 81 |
| | \$250 00 |

TREASURER—SALARY.

| | |
|-----------------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$550 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Silas H. Dudley | \$550 00 |

TREASURER—EXPENSES.

| | |
|------------------------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$150 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Postage | \$50 00 |
| Forms and Stationery | 39 04 |
| Dues to State Asso. | 2 00 |
| Check books | 17 98 |
| Certification of Notes | 4 00 |
| Preparing Schedule A | 15 00 |
| Miscellaneous supplies | 14 65 |
| Total Expended | \$142 67 |
| Unexpended | 7 33 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$150 00 |

TAX TITLE FORECLOSURE.

| | |
|---------------------|---------|
| Appropriation | \$50 00 |
| Unexpended | \$50 00 |

TOWN ACCOUNTANT—SALARY.

| | |
|----------------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$400 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Helen F. Irons | \$400 00 |

TOWN ACCOUNTANT—EXPENSE.

| | |
|-------------------------------------|---------|
| Appropriation | \$25 00 |
| Transferred from Reserve Fund | 18 92 |
| Total | <hr/> |
| | \$43 92 |
| Expended: | |
| Comm. of Mass., forms | \$43 92 |

TOWN CLERK—SALARY.

| | |
|-------------------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$200 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Albert S. Coleman | \$200 00 |

TOWN CLERK—EXPENSE.

| | |
|--|----------------|
| Appropriation | \$500 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Typewriter | \$116 95 |
| Printing, stationery and postage | 48 81 |
| Recording Fees | 97 00 |
| Advertising | 3 75 |
| Photostats | 15 75 |
| Expenses to Town Clerk's meetings | 60 00 |
| Total Expended | <hr/> \$342 26 |
| Unexpended | 157 74 |
| | <hr/> \$500 00 |

TAX COLLECTOR—SALARY.

| | |
|-----------------------------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$875 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Arthur P. Dalton, Collector | \$875 00 |

TAX COLLECTOR—EXPENSE.

| | |
|-------------------------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$200 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Stationery and printing | \$58 72 |
| Postage | 68 00 |
| Deputy Collector's Bond | 5 00 |
| Dues to State Asso. | 2 00 |
| Advtg. Tax Titles | 23 50 |
| Miscellaneous Supplies | 20 32 |

| | | |
|----------------------|----------|----------|
| Total Expended | \$177 54 | |
| Unexpended | 22 46 | |
| | | \$200 00 |

ASSESSORS—SALARIES

| | | |
|---------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Appropriation | | \$650 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Charles F. Leonard, Clerk | \$250 00 | |
| D. Kinsley Barnes | 200 00 | |
| Donald B. Lowell | 200 00 | |
| Total Expended | | \$650 00 |

ASSESSORS—EXPENSE

| | | |
|----------------------------|----------|----------|
| Appropriation | | \$300 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Tax Tables | \$1 00 | |
| Deed Abstracts | 159 46 | |
| Stationery and forms | 44 26 | |
| Dues to State and County | | |
| Asso. | 6 00 | |
| Expenses to State Meet- | | |
| ings | 12 00 | |
| Postage | 11 00 | |
| Use of auto | 20 00 | |
| Total Expended | \$253 72 | |
| Unexpended | 46 28 | |
| | | \$300 00 |

ELECTIONS AND REGISTRATIONS.

| | | |
|-------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$700 00 | |
| Transferred from Reserve Fund | 218 41 | |
| Total | | \$918 41 |
| Expended: | | |
| Pay rolls, Town Meeting | \$51 15 | |
| State Primaries and Election | 215 11 | |

| | | |
|---|--------|----------|
| Pay rolls, listing | 103 23 | |
| Recount | 20 40 | |
| Printing and supplies | 141 77 | |
| Advertising | 52 00 | |
| Registrars' salaries | 100 00 | |
| Repairing and building voting booths | 122 00 | |
| Loud speaker | 10 00 | |
| Voting lists and ballots | 102 75 | |
| Total Expended | | \$918 41 |

TOWN COUNSEL—SALARY.

| | |
|--------------------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$100 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Shelley D. Vincent | \$100 00 |

TOWN COUNSEL—EXPENSE.

| | | |
|---|---------|---------|
| Appropriation | \$75 00 | |
| Transferred from Reserve Fund | 9 50 | |
| Total | | \$84 50 |
| Expended: | | |
| Shelley D. Vincent, confer- ences and expenses | | \$84 50 |

CLERICAL HIRE FOR TOWN OFFICERS.

| | |
|----------------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$300 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Helen F. Irons | \$300 00 |

TOWN OFFICERS' BONDS.

| | |
|----------------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$145 50 |
| Expended: | |
| Karl A. Bright | \$145 50 |

TOWN HALL MAINTENANCE.

| | | |
|---|---------|----------|
| Appropriation | | \$700 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Supplies for toilets | \$66 36 | |
| Janitor's Salary | 460 00 | |
| Janitor's Supplies | 22 59 | |
| Carlton L. Goss, repairs | 79 09 | |
| Bottled gas | 24 00 | |
| Batteries for emergency lights | 3 75 | |
| Express on tables | 19 86 | |
| Total Expended | <hr/> | \$675 65 |
| Unexpended | | 24 35 |
| | <hr/> | \$700 00 |

TOWN HALL—

PAINTING AND CLEANING INTERIOR.

| | | |
|-------------------------|----------|----------|
| Appropriation | | \$600 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Breault & Jacques | \$575 00 | |
| Unexpended | | 25 00 |
| | <hr/> | \$600 00 |

TOWN HALL DINING TABLES.

| | | |
|------------------------|--|----------|
| Appropriation | | \$360 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| J. L. Hammett Co. | | \$360 00 |

TOWN BUILDINGS—OIL STORAGE TANK.

| | | |
|--|----------|----------|
| Appropriation | | \$700 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| E. T. Powers, tank and installa- tion | \$660 00 | |
| Unexpended | | 40 00 |
| | <hr/> | \$700 00 |

TOWN HALL—SANITARY AND HEATING FACILITIES.

| | | |
|----------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Balance January 1, 1950 | | \$2,565 27 |
| Expended: | | |
| William L. Power & Son, plumbing | \$2,215 27 | |
| C. L. Goss, repairs | 350 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$2,565 27 |

RECORD ROOM MAINTENANCE.

| | | |
|--|---------|----------|
| Appropriation | | \$350 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Janitor Service | \$50 00 | |
| Fuel | 130 68 | |
| Lights | 15 52 | |
| Telephone | 116 15 | |
| Oil Heater | 10 76 | |
| Cleaning and repairing oil burner | 18 50 | |
| Miscellaneous Supplies | 2 80 | |
| Total Expended | <hr/> | \$344 41 |
| Unexpended | | 5 59 |
| | <hr/> | \$350 00 |

HEAT AND LIGHT—TOWN BUILDINGS.

TOWN HALL, FIRE STATION AND HIGHWAY BARN.

| | | |
|---|----------|------------|
| Appropriation | | \$2,000 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| General Fuel & Heating Co. | \$702 65 | |
| Worcester Suburban Elec. Co. | 229 94 | |
| Clark-Shaughnessy | 212 76 | |
| H. J. Shaughnessy | 757 42 | |
| John T. Jordan, Engineering ser- vice | 35 00 | |
| Dept. of Public Safety, boiler inspections | 10 00 | |

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|------------------------------|-------|------------|
| Bill Power, repairs | 31 23 | |
| Jesse White, batteries | 21 00 | |
| Total Expended | | \$2,000 00 |

CONSTABLE—SALARY.

| | | |
|-------------------------|--|---------|
| Appropriation | | \$25 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Raymond W. Rogers | | \$25 00 |

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

| | | |
|-----------------------|----------|------------|
| Appropriation | | \$1,500 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Pay rolls | \$656 24 | |
| Safety belts | 39 79 | |
| Toll calls | 5 49 | |
| Mileage | 31 90 | |
| Badges | 26 00 | |
| Accident photos | 3 50 | |
| Miscellaneous | 2 45 | |
| Total Expended | \$765 37 | |
| Unexpended | 734 63 | |
| | | \$1,500 00 |

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

| | | |
|-------------------------------|----------|------------|
| Appropriation | | \$1,500 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Pay rolls | \$629 00 | |
| Painting truck | 200 00 | |
| Test blowing | 50 00 | |
| Repairs to apparatus | 129 50 | |
| Worcester Sub. Elec. Co. | 33 00 | |
| Gasoline, oil, etc. | 44 57 | |
| Supplies for apparatus | 41 00 | |
| Harold Lowell, salary | 100 00 | |
| Maintenance of building | 49 70 | |

| | | |
|----------------------|--------|------------------|
| Extinguishers | 50 15 | |
| Telephone | 126 70 | |
| Filing cabinet | 44 95 | |
| Total Expended | | \$1,498 57 |
| Unexpended | | 1 43 |
| | | <hr/> \$1,500 00 |

FOREST FIRE DEPARTMENT.

| | | |
|--|---------|----------------|
| Appropriation | | \$500 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Forest Warden | \$25 00 | |
| Farrar & Co., hose | 150 00 | |
| Pay rolls | 186 25 | |
| Tires, batteries, etc., for truck | 91 51 | |
| Total Expended | | \$452 76 |
| Unexpended | | 47 24 |
| | | <hr/> \$500 00 |

HYDRANT RENTAL.

| | |
|----------------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$500 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Town of Mendon | \$500 00 |

DOG OFFICER.

| | |
|--|---------------|
| Appropriation | \$50 00 |
| Transferred from Reserve Fund | 5 50 |
| Total | <hr/> \$55 50 |
| Expended: | |
| Richard Gaskill, boarding and destroying dogs | \$28 50 |
| Raymond Miller, boarding and destroying dogs | 17 00 |
| Dog Officer salaries | 10 00 |
| Total Expended | <hr/> \$55 50 |

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

| | | |
|--|---------|---------|
| Appropriation | | \$45 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Phyllis Saunders, (for Clyde Saunders) salary | \$36 67 | |
| Phyllis Saunders, (for Clyde Saunders) use of car | 2 50 | |
| Raymond A. Miller, salary | 3 33 | |
| Raymond A. Miller, use of car | 2 50 | |
| Total Expended | <hr/> | \$45 00 |

WIRING INSPECTOR—SALARY.

| | |
|-------------------------------------|---------|
| Transferred from Reserve Fund | \$25 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Walter Channing, salary | \$25 00 |

BOARD OF HEALTH.

| | | |
|--|---------|------------|
| Appropriation | | \$1,900 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| District Nursing Asso. | \$75 00 | |
| Willard Seibert, meat in- spections | 1 00 | |
| A. Woleck, rent and labor on Town Dump | 335 30 | |
| Soda water permit | 10 00 | |
| License forms | 5 04 | |
| Worcester County Sani- torium, board and treatment | 556 50 | |
| Total Expended | <hr/> | \$982 84 |
| Unexpended | | 917 16 |
| | <hr/> | \$1,900 00 |

TREE WARDEN.

| | | |
|-------------------------------|---------|----------|
| Appropriation | | \$250 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| William Nuttall, salary | \$10 00 | |
| Pay rolls: | | |
| William Nuttall | 82 00 | |
| William Munsell | 64 00 | |
| George Blanchard | 72 00 | |
| Harold Metcalf | 10 00 | |
| Mark Wagner | 12 00 | |
| Total Expended | ————— | \$250 00 |

ELM BEETLE SUPPRESSION.

| | | |
|------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Appropriation | | \$500 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| P. A. Millis, spraying | \$470 00 | |
| William Nuttall | 30 00 | |
| Total Expended | ————— | \$500 00 |

MOTH SUPPRESSION.

| | | |
|------------------------------|---------|----------|
| Appropriation | | \$200 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| William Nuttall | \$13 00 | |
| P. A. Millis, spraying | 187 00 | |
| Total Expended | ————— | \$200 00 |

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS.

| | | |
|----------------------|--|----------|
| Appropriation | | \$150 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Roy A. Barrows | | \$150 00 |

INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTERING.

| | | |
|-----------------------|--|---------|
| Appropriation | | \$25 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Willard Seibert | | \$25 00 |

WORCESTER COUNTY HOSPITAL.

| | |
|----------------------------------|------------|
| Appropriation | \$1,430 85 |
| Expended: | |
| Worcester County Treasurer | \$1,430 85 |

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT.

GENERAL REPAIRS.

| | |
|------------------------------|------------------|
| Appropriation | \$1,500 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Labor | \$776 40 |
| Town Equipment | 104 00 |
| Hired Equipment | 96 00 |
| Gravel | 21 00 |
| Concrete pipe | 127 08 |
| Telephone | 118 15 |
| Insurance | 78 59 |
| Paint | 53 65 |
| Leonard Jaques & Sons, | |
| supplies | 42 68 |
| Miscellaneous supplies | 70 57 |
| Total Expended | \$1,488 12 |
| Unexpended | 11 88 |
| | <hr/> \$1,500 00 |

CHAPTER 90 MAINTENANCE.

| | |
|--------------------------|------------------|
| Town Appropriation | \$1,500 00 |
| State Allotment | 1,500 00 |
| County Allotment | 1,500 00 |
| Total | <hr/> \$4,500 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Labor | \$970 60 |
| Town Equipment | 228 10 |
| Hired Equipment | 578 40 |
| Materials: | |
| Trimount Bituminous | |
| Products | 1,631 33 |

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|--------------------------|-------|------------|
| Rosenfeld Sand & Stone | | |
| Co. | 633 | 95 |
| Barrett Company | 420 | 90 |
| H. A. Daniels, insurance | 36 | 61 |
| Total Expended | ————— | \$4,499 89 |
| Unexpended | | 11 |
| | ————— | \$4,500 00 |

CHAPTER 90 CONSTRUCTION.

| | | |
|--------------------------|---------|------------|
| Town Appropriation | \$2,000 | 00 |
| County Allotment | 2,000 | 00 |
| State Allotment | 4,000 | 00 |
| | ————— | \$8,000 00 |

Expended:

| | | |
|----------------------|--------|----|
| Labor | \$1388 | 15 |
| Town Equipment | 244 | 00 |

Hired Equipment:

| | | |
|--------------|-----|----|
| Grader | 813 | 50 |
| Trucks | 43 | 20 |
| Roller | 605 | 00 |

Material:

| | | |
|--------------------------|-------|----|
| Rosenfeld Sand & Stone | | |
| Co. | 195 | 11 |
| Trimount Bituminous | | |
| Products | 2,045 | 49 |
| H. Poirier, gravel | 2,665 | 40 |

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|----------------------|-------|------------|
| Total Expended | ————— | \$7,999 85 |
| Unexpended | | 15 |
| | ————— | \$8,000 00 |

CHAPTER 81.

| | | |
|--------------------------|---------|-------------|
| Town Appropriation | \$3,600 | 00 |
| State Allotment | 9,900 | 00 |
| Total | ————— | \$13,500 00 |

Expended:

| | | |
|--|------------|-------------|
| Labor | \$5,325 35 | |
| Town Equipment | 1,360 85 | |
| Hired Equipment | 2,245 98 | |
| H. A. Daniels Ins. Co. | 199 60 | |
| Rosenfeld Sand & Stone Co. | 1,553 19 | |
| Trimount Bituminous Products | 1,824 63 | |
| Barrett Co. | 167 24 | |
| N. E. Metal Culvert Co. | 477 70 | |
| L. N. Jaques & Sons, supplies | 41 85 | |
| Cement blocks | 21 25 | |
| Esther MonoSchely, gravel | 99 70 | |
| Henry Poirier, gravel .. | 182 50 | |
| Total Expended | ————— | \$13,499 84 |
| Unexpended | | 16 |
| | ————— | \$13,500 00 |

SNOW REMOVAL.

| | | |
|-------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Appropriation | \$2,800 00 | |
| Transferred from Reserve Fund | 761 69 | |
| Total | ————— | \$3,561 69 |
| Expended: | | |
| Labor | \$1,069 13 | |
| Hired equipment | 1,509 28 | |
| Town equipment | 458 00 | |
| Rosenfeld Sand & Stone Co. | 525 28 | |
| Total Expended | ————— | \$3,561 69 |

ROAD MACHINERY ACCOUNT.

| | |
|---|------------|
| Appropriation from Road Machinery Fund | \$2,400 00 |
|---|------------|

Expended:

| | | |
|----------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Mendon Gulf Station, | | |
| gasoline | \$587 80 | |
| Lakeside Garage, re- | | |
| pairs | 192 35 | |
| Henley-Kimball Co., | | |
| parts | 5 97 | |
| Scott White Truck Inc., | | |
| parts | 9 43 | |
| Clark-Shaughnessy | 8 50 | |
| Dyer Sales, supplies | 101 30 | |
| L. N. Jaques & Sons, | | |
| supplies | 4 83 | |
| Mendon Texaco Station | 100 20 | |
| Mendon Fire Dept. | 28 90 | |
| Truck registration | 2 00 | |
| H. A. Daniels Ins. Co. | 93 68 | |
| A. S. Antolini | 5 00 | |
| Truck note | 600 00 | |
| Labor pay rolls | 29 80 | |
| Miscellaneous supplies | 3 00 | |
| Total Expended | <u>\$1,772 76</u> | |
| Unexpended | 627 24 | |
| | | <u>\$2,400 00</u> |

ROAD MACHINERY FUND.

| | |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Balance January 1, 1950 | \$5,587 73 |
| Transferred to Road Machinery Account | \$1,800 00 |
| Transferred to Maturing Debt | 600 00 |
| | <u>\$2,400 00</u> |
| Balance | <u>\$3,187 73</u> |
| Paid to Town Treasurer: | |
| Chapter 81, for use of | |
| town equipment | \$1,360 85 |
| Chapter 90 Construction | 244 00 |

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|--|--------|-------------------|
| Chapter 90 Maintenance | 228 10 | |
| General Repairs | 104 00 | |
| Snow Removal | 458 00 | |
| Sundry persons | 8 50 | |
| Total receipts..... | | \$2,403 45 |
| Unexpended balance in Road Machinery Account | 627 24 | |
| | | <u>\$3,030 69</u> |
| Total | | \$6,218 42 |
| Transferred to New Highway Truck Account | | 3,275 00 |
| | | <u>\$2,943 42</u> |
| Balance December 31, 1950 | | |

NEW HIGHWAY TRUCK AND PLOWS.

| | | |
|--|------------|------------|
| Transferred from Road Machinery Fund | \$3,275 00 | |
| Loan Authorized | 3,000 00 | |
| Total | | \$6,275 00 |
| Unexpended | | \$6,275 00 |

STREET LIGHTING.

| | |
|-------------------------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$684 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Worcester Sub. Elec. Co. | \$684 00 |

PUBLIC WELFARE—SALARIES.

| | |
|------------------------|----------------|
| Appropriation | \$45 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Harold Metcalf | \$15 00 |
| D. Victor Smith | 2 50 |
| Harold Fairbanks | 15 00 |
| John Lundvall | 12 50 |
| Total Expended | <u>\$45 00</u> |

PUBLIC WELFARE—TEMPORARY AID.

| | |
|---------------------|-------------|
| Appropriation | \$12 000 00 |
|---------------------|-------------|

Expended:

| | | |
|----------------------------------|----------|------------|
| One family in own home | \$623 60 | |
| One family in own home | 595 34 | |
| One family in own home | 218 86 | |
| | <hr/> | \$1,437 80 |
| One person in own home | 419 00 | |
| One person in private home | 814 91 | |
| One person in private home | 320 00 | |
| One family in other town | 741 40 | |
| | <hr/> | \$2,295 31 |

SETTLEMENT IN OTHER TOWNS.

| | |
|------------------------------|--------|
| One person in own home | 778 58 |
|------------------------------|--------|

CASES WITH NO SETTLEMENT.

Chargeable to State Department of Welfare.

| | | |
|------------------------------|----------|------------|
| One family in own home | \$354 89 | |
| One family in own home | 572 85 | |
| One family in own home | 1,143 18 | |
| | <hr/> | \$2,070 92 |

Miscellaneous expenses:

| | | |
|----------------------------|---------|-------------|
| Greater Boston Commu- | | |
| nity Council | \$10 00 | |
| Joseph F. Sargeant, burial | 200 00 | |
| Total expenditures | <hr/> | \$210 00 |
| Total expenses | | \$6,792 61 |
| Transferred to Center | | |
| School Boiler | | 5,000 00 |
| Unexpended | | 207 39 |
| | <hr/> | \$12,000 00 |

Proportionate share of above expenses:

| | | |
|------------------------------|------------|------------|
| State of Massachusetts | \$2,070 92 | |
| Town of Milford | 778 58 | |
| Town of Mendon | 3,943 11 | |
| | <hr/> | \$6,792 61 |

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN.

| | | |
|-----------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Town Appropriation | \$3,000 00 | |
| Received from Federal Government: | | |
| (Direct Aid) | 1,494 78 | |
| (Administration) | 37 64 | |
| Total | <hr/> | \$4,532 42 |
| Expended: | | |
| For Direct Aid | \$4,205 13 | |
| Unexpended | 327 29 | |
| | <hr/> | \$4,532 42 |

Summary:

| | | |
|------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Federal Government | \$1,185 40 | |
| State of Massachusetts | 1,401 70 | |
| Town of Mendon's share | 1,618 03 | |
| Total | <hr/> | \$4,205 13 |

Amounts Due Town:

| | |
|------------------------------|----------|
| State of Massachusetts | \$560 89 |
|------------------------------|----------|

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE.

| | | |
|--|-------------|-------------|
| Town Appropriation | \$18,000 00 | |
| Received from Federal Government | 14,423 22 | |
| Total | <hr/> | \$32,423 22 |
| Expended: | | |
| For Direct Aid | 24,485 34 | |
| Unexpended | 7,937 88 | |
| | <hr/> | \$32,423 22 |

Summary:

| | | |
|-------------------------------------|-------------|-------------------|
| Federal Government's share | \$11,656 09 | |
| State of Massachusetts' share | 8,357 25 | |
| Town of Mendon's share | 3,959 95 | |
| Due from other Towns | 512 05 | |
| | | ————— \$24,485 34 |

Amounts Due the Town:

| | | |
|------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Federal Government | \$1,987 90 | |
| State of Massachusetts | 1,572 38 | |
| Town of Westboro | 61 60 | |
| Town of Milford | 232 96 | |
| Town of Hopedale | 49 81 | |
| Town of Upton | 167 68 | |
| Total | ————— | \$4,072 33 |

O. A. A.—ADMINISTRATION.

| | | |
|--------------------------|----------|----------|
| Town Appropriation | \$500 00 | |
| Federal Government | 237 20 | |
| Total | ————— | \$737 20 |

Expended:

| | | |
|--|----------|----------------|
| Helen F. Irons, Social Worker | \$500 00 | |
| Postage | 25 90 | |
| Traveling expense | 12 74 | |
| Hobb & Warren, Inc., forms | 4 58 | |
| Total Expended | ————— | \$543 22 |
| Unexpended | 193 98 | |
| | | ————— \$737 20 |

VETERANS' BENEFITS.

| | |
|---------------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$500 00 |
| Unexpended | \$500 00 |

ADMINISTRATION OF VETERANS' BENEFITS.

| | | |
|---------------------------|---------|----------|
| Appropriation | | \$100 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Harold J. Fairbanks | \$50 00 | |
| Harold Metcalf | 50 00 | |
| Total Expended | ————— | \$100 00 |

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT.

| | | |
|----------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Appropriation | \$48,963 31 | |
| Dog Tax Refund | 378 89 | |
| Total | ————— | \$49,342 20 |
| Expended | \$49,341 76 | |
| Unexpended | 44 | |
| | ————— | \$49,342 20 |

(For detail of expenditures see School Report.)

VOCATIONAL EDUCATION.

| | | |
|--|------------|------------|
| Appropriation | | \$1,500 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| City of Worcester | \$49 40 | |
| Anne Davenport, adult sewing | 120 00 | |
| Total Expended | ————— | \$169 40 |
| Transferred to Center School Boiler Account | \$1,250 00 | |
| Unexpended | 80 60 | |
| | ————— | \$1,500 00 |

SPECIAL SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM.

| | | |
|---|------------|------------|
| Balance to Town Treasurer September 18, 1950 | \$1,383 33 | |
| Revenue from meals | 1,689 86 | |
| State Reimbursement | 141 81 | |
| U. S. Grant | 196 12 | |
| Total receipts | ————— | \$3,411 12 |

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|----------------------|----------|------------------|
| Expended: | | |
| Pay rolls | \$733 00 | |
| Food supplies | 2,091 44 | |
| Equipment | 79 44 | |
| Express | 31 34 | |
| Miscellaneous | 7 00 | |
| Total Expended | ————— | \$2,942 22 |
| Unexpended | | 468 90 |
| | | ————— \$3,411 12 |

TAFT PUBLIC LIBRARY.

| | | |
|---------------------------|----------|----------------|
| Appropriation | | \$625 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Personal Book Shop | \$110 03 | |
| H. W. Wilson Co. | 11 80 | |
| American Library Asso. | 5 00 | |
| Worc. Sub. Elec. Co. | 13 00 | |
| Jaques Hardware Co. | 6 89 | |
| Henry Twitchell, for | | |
| News Ad. | 2 00 | |
| Breault & Jacques, for | | |
| repairs | 31 00 | |
| Barney Coal Co. | 43 00 | |
| Lake Nipmuc Ice Co., | | |
| wood | 12 00 | |
| Daniel N. Barnes, | | |
| magazines | 51 43 | |
| Vestella M. Daniels, | | |
| salary | 225 00 | |
| Raymond Dudley, salary | 100 00 | |
| Total Expended | ————— | \$611 15 |
| Unexpended | | 13 85 |
| | | ————— \$625 00 |

Expenditures from Fletcher Library Fund:

| | |
|--------------------------|---------|
| Personal Book Shop | \$88 94 |
|--------------------------|---------|

PAINTING LIBRARY.

| | |
|-------------------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$400 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Breault & Jacques | \$400 00 |

HONOR ROLL—WORLD WAR II.

| | | |
|---------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Appropriation | \$885 00 | |
| Transferred from Honor Roll Fund | 369 74 | |
| Total | | \$1,254 74 |
| Expended: | | |
| Bradshaw Memorial Co. | \$1,150 00 | |
| Virginia Mayo, letter- | | |
| ing Memoriams | 5 00 | |
| Total Expended | \$1,155 00 | |
| Unexpended | 99 74 | |
| | | \$1,254 74 |

PARK DEPARTMENT.

| | | |
|----------------------------|---------|----------|
| Appropriation | | \$200 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| George A. Johnson, | | |
| labor | \$78 00 | |
| Norry Daige, lawn- | | |
| mower | 20 75 | |
| Chester O. Avery, labor | 40 00 | |
| Louis Benotti, labor | 9 00 | |
| Total Expended | <hr/> | \$147 75 |
| Unexpended | | 52 25 |
| | <hr/> | \$200 00 |

WATER DEPARTMENT MAINTENANCE.

| | |
|-------------------------------------|------------|
| Appropriation | \$700 00 |
| Transferred from Reserve Fund | 900 00 |
| Total | \$1,600 00 |

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|---------------------------|---------|------------------|
| Expended: | | |
| Town of Bellingham, for | | |
| water | \$99 48 | |
| Lloyd Nelson, material | | |
| and repairs | 334 43 | |
| George Allen, reading | | |
| meters | 9 00 | |
| Johns-Manville, pipe | 121 69 | |
| Postage | 1 50 | |
| Total Expended | ————— | \$566 10 |
| Unexpended | | 1,033 90 |
| | | ————— \$1,600 00 |

WATER CONSTRUCTION—EAST MENDON.

| | |
|---------------------------------------|----------|
| Balance on hand January 1, 1950 | \$640 33 |
| Expended: | |
| Johns-Manville, pipe | \$640 33 |

SOLDIERS' AND SAILORS' GRAVES.

| | |
|--------------------------------|---------|
| Appropriation | \$30 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Swan Dale Cemetery Association | \$30 00 |

WORCESTER COUNTY RETIREMENT SYSTEM.

EXPENSE FUND.

| | |
|----------------------------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$401 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Worcester County Treasurer | \$401 00 |

MEMORIAL DAY.

| | |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|
| Appropriation | \$150 00 |
| Transferred from Reserve Fund | 17 25 |
| Total | ————— \$167 25 |

Expended:

| | |
|--------------------------------|--------|
| Rent of loud speaker | \$5 00 |
| Band | 125 00 |
| Wreaths | 15 00 |
| C. C. Shattuck, supplies | 22 25 |

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|----------------------|-------|----------|
| Total Expended | <hr/> | \$167 25 |
|----------------------|-------|----------|

INSURANCE ON TOWN BUILDINGS.

| | |
|---------------------|------------|
| Appropriation | \$1,860 58 |
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Expended:

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|-------------------------------|------------|
| Donald B. Lowell, Agent | \$1,853 07 |
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| Unexpended | 7 51 | <hr/> | \$1,860 58 |
|------------------|------|-------|------------|

ANNUITY FUND.

| | |
|---------------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$500 00 |
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Expended:

| | |
|--------------------------|----------|
| Dorothy S. Mantoni | \$500 00 |
|--------------------------|----------|

TOWN REPORTS.

| | |
|---------------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$492 57 |
|---------------------|----------|

Expended:

| | |
|--------------------------|----------|
| Charlescraft Press | \$492 57 |
|--------------------------|----------|

RESERVE FUND.

| | |
|---------------------|------------|
| Appropriation | \$2,000 00 |
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Transfers:

| | |
|---------------------------------------|----------|
| To Water Dept. Main- tenance | \$900 00 |
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|---------------------------------------|-------|
| To Wiring Inspector's Salary | 25 00 |
|---------------------------------------|-------|

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|--------------------------------------|------|
| To Town Counsel's Ex- pense | 9 50 |
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|-----------------------|-------|
| To Memorial Day Acct. | 17 25 |
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|-----------------------|--------|
| To Snow Removal | 761 69 |
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| To Town Accountant's | | |
| Expense | 18 92 | |
| To Interest on Tem- | | |
| porary Loans | 11 46 | |
| To Elections and Regis- | | |
| trations | 218 41 | |
| To Dog Officer Account | 5 50 | |
| Total Transfers | <hr/> | \$1,967 73 |
| Unexpended | | 32 27 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| | | \$2,000 00 |

MATURING DEBT.

| | | |
|--------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Appropriation | \$3,930 00 | |
| Transferred from Road Machinery Fund | 600 00 | |
| Total | <hr/> | \$4,530 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| School House Addition Loan | \$1,000 00 | |
| Fire Station Loan | 2,000 00 | |
| Truck Loan | 600 00 | |
| Water Construction Loan | 930 00 | |
| Total Expended | <hr/> | \$4,530 00 |

PREMIUM ON LOAN.

| | |
|-------------------------------|---------|
| Balance January 1, 1950 | \$70 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Water Construction Loan | \$70 00 |

INTEREST ON TEMPORARY LOANS.

| | | |
|-------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$100 00 | |
| Transferred from Reserve Fund | 11 46 | |
| Total | <hr/> | \$111 46 |
| Expended: | | |
| Interest on Loans in Anticipation | | |
| of Revenue | | \$111 46 |

INTEREST ON MATURING DEBT.

| | | |
|--------------------------|----------|------------|
| Appropriation | | \$1,037 50 |
| Expended: | | |
| Interest on Fire Station | | |
| Loan | \$400 00 | |
| Interest on Water Con- | | |
| struction Loan | 450 00 | |
| Interest on Highway | | |
| Truck Loan | 7 50 | |
| Interest on School | | |
| House Loan | 168 75 | |
| Total Expended | ————— | \$1,026 25 |
| Unexpended | | 11 25 |
| | ————— | \$1,037 50 |

REPORT OF TOWN ACCOUNTANT.
DETAIL OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES
FOR 1950.

| | |
|------------------------------------|-------------|
| Cash on hand January 1, 1950 | \$21,654 36 |
|------------------------------------|-------------|

Receipts:

1950 Taxes:

| | |
|-------------------------------|-----------|
| Poll Taxes | \$858 00 |
| Personal Property Taxes | 5,800 14 |
| Real Estate Taxes | 61,321 67 |
| Excise Taxes | 9,877 84 |

Previous Year's Taxes:

| | |
|-------------------------------|----------|
| Personal Property Taxes | 442 70 |
| Real Estate Taxes | 6,198 50 |
| Excise Taxes | 733 14 |

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|---|-----------|
| State Corporation Tax | 6,039 57 |
| State Income Tax | 12,798 46 |
| Licenses and Permits | 1,521 77 |
| Federal Grant, Old Age Assistance | 11,789 18 |
| Federal Grant, Old Age Administration | 225 24 |
| Federal Grant, Aid to Dependent Children | 1,319 25 |
| Federal Grant, Aid to Dependent Children, Adm. | 24 66 |
| State School Fund | 1,112 04 |
| State Meal Tax | 622 01 |
| State, Inspector of Animals | 75 00 |

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|---|----------|
| State, Highways, Chapter 81, 1949 | 6,339 95 |
| State Highways, Chapter 81, 1950 | 6,643 00 |
| State, School Transportation | 6,625 21 |
| State, Superintendent of Schools | 1,471 18 |
| County Treasurer, Dog License Re- fund | 430 21 |
| Town Hall Rentals | 435 25 |
| Meat Inspection Fees | 1 00 |
| Sealer of Weights and Measures | 7 00 |
| State Dept. of Forestry | 50 00 |
| Reimbursement of Dog Officer's Fees | 59 50 |
| County, Highways, Chapter 90 Main- tenance | 1,499 96 |
| Road Machinery Fund | 2,403 45 |
| State, Highways, Chapter 90 Construc- tion | 3,999 92 |
| County, Highways, Chapter 90 Con- struction | 1,999 96 |
| State, Temporary Aid | 2,733 84 |
| State, Aid to Dependent Children | 1,221 60 |
| State, Old Age Assistance | 8,304 58 |
| Town of Upton, O. A. A. | 196 31 |
| Town of Westboro, O. A. A. | 50 54 |
| Town of Hopedale, O. A. A. | 282 95 |
| Town of Milford, O. A. A. | 168 81 |
| State, Vocational Education | 386 12 |
| State, Div. Child Guardianship, Tui- tion and Transportation | 79 11 |
| City of Boston, Tuition State Wards | 354 91 |
| Special School Lunch Program | 3,411 12 |
| Library Fines | 17 26 |
| Withholding Taxes | 3,321 94 |
| Contributory Retirement Deductions | 757 24 |
| Town of Northbridge, Forest Fire Pay Roll | 39 25 |
| Arthur P. Dalton, Cert. of Municipal Lien | 1 00 |

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|--------------------------------------|-----------|--------------|
| Wire Inspections | 20 00 | |
| Sale of Surplus Varnish | 6 00 | |
| Royal Indemnity Co., Insurance Claim | 22 50 | |
| Sale of Town Annals | 6 00 | |
| Water Department Revenue | 1,276 41 | |
| Town of Dartmouth, for Water Pipe | 210 21 | |
| Interest on Deferred Taxes | 328 56 | |
| Interest, Thayer Cemetery Fund | 5 00 | |
| Transfers from Trust Funds | 618 68 | |
| Revenue Loans | 15,000 00 | |
| Town Clerk, Dog License Fees | 531 40 | |
| Refunds, Old Age Assistance | 94 80 | |
| Total Receipts for 1950 | | \$192,170 90 |
| | | <hr/> |
| | | \$213,825 26 |

Expenditures:

| | |
|---------------------------------------|---------|
| Moderator's Salary | \$10 00 |
| Selectmen's Salaries | 550 00 |
| Selectmen's Expense | 248 19 |
| Treasurer's Salary | 550 00 |
| Treasurer's Expense | 142 67 |
| Town Clerk's Salary | 200 00 |
| Town Clerk's Expense | 342 26 |
| Collector's Salary | 875 00 |
| Collector's Expense | 177 54 |
| Assessors' Salaries | 650 00 |
| Assessors' Expense | 253 72 |
| Town Officers' Bonds | 145 50 |
| Town Accountant's Salary | 400 00 |
| Town Accountant's Expense | 43 92 |
| Clerical Hire for Town Officers | 300 00 |
| Elections and Registrations | 918 41 |
| Town Counsel's Salary | 100 00 |
| Town Counsel's Expense | 84 50 |
| Record Room Maintenance | 344 41 |

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|---|-----------|
| Constable's Salary | 25 00 |
| Heat and Lights, Town Buildings | 2,000 00 |
| Oil Storage Tank, Town Buildings | 660 00 |
| Town Hall Maintenance | 675 65 |
| Town Hall, Painting Interior | 575 00 |
| Town Hall, Heating and Sanitary Facilities | 2,565 27 |
| Town Hall, Dining Tables | 360 00 |
| Police Department | 765 37 |
| Dog Officers | 55 50 |
| Sealer of Weights and Measures | 45 00 |
| Wiring Inspector's Salary | 25 00 |
| Inspector of Animals | 150 00 |
| Inspector of Slaughtering | 25 00 |
| Fire Department | 1,498 57 |
| Forest Fire Dept. | 452 76 |
| Hydrant Rental | 500 00 |
| Board of Health | 982 84 |
| Worcester County Hospital | 1,430 85 |
| Highways, General Repairs | 1,488 12 |
| Snow Removal | 3,561 69 |
| Chapter 81, Highways | 13,499 84 |
| Chapter 90, Maintenance | 4,499 89 |
| Chapter 90, Construction | 7,999 85 |
| Highway Machinery Maintenance | 1,172 76 |
| Street Lighting | 684 00 |
| Public Welfare, Salaries | 45 00 |
| Public Welfare, Temporary Aid | 6,792 61 |
| Administration of Veterans' Benefits | 100 00 |
| Aid to Dependent Children | 4,205 13 |
| Old Age Assistance | 24,580 14 |
| Old Age Assistance, Administration | 543 22 |
| Center School Boiler | 6,250 00 |
| School Department | 49,341 76 |
| Special School Lunch Program | 2,942 22 |
| Tuition for Vocational Schools | 169 40 |

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|---|-----------|
| Taft Public Library | 611 15 |
| Painting Library | 400 00 |
| Honor Roll, World War II..... | 1,155 00 |
| Austin Wood Relief Fund | 35 00 |
| Austin Fletcher Library Fund | 88 94 |
| Nathan R. George, Jr., Trust Fund | 125 00 |
| Tree Warden | 250 00 |
| Moth Suppression | 200 00 |
| Elm Beetle Suppression | 500 00 |
| Park Department | 147 75 |
| Memorial Day | 167 25 |
| Insurance on Town Buildings | 1,853 07 |
| Federal Withholding Taxes | 3,321 94 |
| Worcester County Retirement System | 757 24 |
| Worcester County Retirement System, Expense Fund | 401 00 |
| Water Construction, East Mendon | 640 33 |
| Water Department Maintenance | 566 10 |
| Soldiers' and Sailors' Graves | 30 00 |
| Thayer Cemetery Fund | 5 00 |
| Annuity Fund | 500 00 |
| School House Loan, Note and Interest | 1,168 75 |
| Fire Station Loan, Note and Interest | 2,400 00 |
| Highway Truck Loan, Note and Inter- est | 607 50 |
| Water Construction Loan, Note and Interest | 1,450 00 |
| Interest on Temporary Loans | 111 46 |
| Revenue Loans | 15,000 00 |
| Town Reports | 492 57 |
| State Parks Assessment | 193 25 |
| State Auditing of Accounts | 324 25 |
| Stabilization Fund | 5,000 00 |
| County Treasurer, Dog License Fees | 514 00 |
| County Tax | 4,131 06 |
| Motor Vehicle Excise Tax Refunds | 403 38 |

| | | |
|-----------------------------------|--------|---------------------|
| Real Estate Tax Refunds | 109 48 | |
| Total Expenditures 1950 | | <u>\$190,664 03</u> |
| Balance on hand December 31, 1950 | | \$23,161 23 |

TOWN OF MENDON
BALANCE SHEET DECEMBER 31, 1950
GENERAL ACCOUNTS

—————
ASSETS

Cash:

| | |
|----------------|-------------|
| In banks | \$23,161 23 |
|----------------|-------------|

Accounts Receivable:

Taxes:

| | | |
|--------------------|------------|-------------------|
| Levy of 1949 | \$1,869 31 | |
| Levy of 1950 | 7,864 79 | |
| | | <u>\$9,734 10</u> |

Motor Vehicle Excise:

| | |
|--------------------|--------|
| Levy of 1950 | 934 30 |
|--------------------|--------|

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|-----------------------|----------|
| Tax Titles (24) | 1,938 30 |
|-----------------------|----------|

Loans Authorized:

| | |
|-------------------------------|----------|
| Highway Truck and Plows | 3,000 00 |
|-------------------------------|----------|

Departmental:

| | | |
|---------------------------------|--------|-----------------|
| Town Hall Rentals | 115 50 | |
| Aid to Dependent Children | 427 41 | |
| | | <u>\$542 91</u> |

| | |
|-------------|--------|
| Water | 494 96 |
|-------------|--------|

Aid to Highways:

State:

| | | |
|------------------------------|----------|------------|
| Chapter 81 | 3,257 00 | |
| Chapter 90 Maintenance | 1,500 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$4,757 00 |

Underestimates 1950:

| | | |
|------------------------------|--|-------|
| State Parks and Reservations | | |
| Assessment | | 47 18 |

Overdrawn Accounts:

| | | |
|------------------------------|----------|-------------|
| Chapter 81 | 3,256 84 | |
| Chapter 90 Maintenance | 1,499 93 | |
| | <hr/> | \$4,756 77 |
| | | <hr/> |
| | | \$49,366 75 |

LIABILITIES AND RESERVES

| | |
|-------------------------------------|------------|
| Road Machinery Fund | \$2,943 42 |
| Thayer Cemetery Fund Income | 35 06 |
| Sale of Real Estate Fund | 700 00 |
| Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds | 200 00 |
| Dog Taxes Due the County | 17 40 |

Overestimates 1950:

| | | |
|----------------------------------|----------|----------|
| County Hospital Assessment | \$576 54 | |
| County Tax | 145 63 | |
| | <hr/> | \$722 17 |

Federal Grants:

Aid to Dependent Children:

| | |
|----------------------|----------|
| Aid | \$322 19 |
| Administration | 5 10 |

Old Age Assistance:

| | | |
|------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Aid | \$7,895 27 | |
| Administration | 193 98 | |
| | <hr/> | \$8,416 54 |
| Reserve Fund—Overlay Surplus | | 2,151 61 |

Overlays Reserved for Abatements:

| | | |
|------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Levy of 1949 | \$1,568 75 | |
| Levy of 1950 | 317 68 | |
| | <hr/> | \$1,886 43 |
| Dog Tax Refund 1950 | | 430 21 |
| Appropriation Balances | | 6,743 90 |

Revenue Reserved Until Collected:

| | | |
|----------------------------|----------|------------|
| Motor Vehicle Excise | \$934 30 | |
| Tax Title | 1,938 30 | |
| Departmental | 542 91 | |
| Aid to Highways | 4,757 00 | |
| Water | 494 96 | |
| | <hr/> | \$8,667 47 |

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|-----------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Surplus Revenue | \$16,452 54 | |
| | <hr/> | \$49,366 75 |

DEBT ACCOUNTS

| | | |
|--------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Net Funded or Fixed Debt | \$40,000 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$40,000 00 |
| School Addition Loan | \$7,000 00 | |
| Water Construction Loan | 19,000 00 | |
| Fire Station Loan | 14,000 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$40,000 00 |

TRUST AND INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS

Trust and Investment Funds:

| | |
|---|----------------|
| Cash and Securities | \$19,558 34 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$19,558 34 |
| Austin Wood Relief Fund | \$1,297 38 |
| Nathan R. George, Jr., Relief Fund | 1,182 71 |
| Austin B. Fletcher Library Fund | 5,145 22 |
| Anna Ellis Library Fund | 584 75 |
| Post-War Rehabilitation Fund | 1,183 07 |
| Stabilization Fund | 10,165 21 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$19,558 34 |

HELEN F. IRONS,
Town Accountant.

 LIST OF JURORS.

| | | |
|-------------------|--------------|-------------------|
| Chester O. Avery | Draftsman | George Street |
| D. Kinsley Barnes | Realtor | Maple Street |
| Gordon R. Good | Machinist | North Avenue |
| Donald B. Lowell | Dairyman | North Avenue |
| John L. Lundvall | Inspector | Hartford Ave. E. |
| Lester P. Mann | Patternmaker | Washington Street |
| Clayton Parkinson | Florist | Hastings Street |
| Angus L. Power | Draftsman | Milford Street |
| Harold A. Rogers | Poultryman | Thornton Street |
| Douglas Taylor | Carpenter | George Street |
| Joseph J. Trainor | Chauffeur | Milford Street |
| Jesse F. White | Boat Dealer | Uxbridge Road |
| Harry L. Wilbur | Machinist | Hastings Street |
| Ernest P. Wood | Wood Worker | Hartford Ave. W. |

REPORT OF TOWN TREASURER.

CASH RECEIPTS.

JANUARY 1, 1950—DECEMBER 31, 1950.

| | | |
|-------------------------------------|-------------|--------------|
| Cash on hand, January 1, 1950 | \$21,654 36 | |
| Receipts for year 1950 | 192,170 90 | |
| | <hr/> | \$213,825 26 |

| | | |
|-------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Paid per Selectmen's Warrants | | |
| year 1950 | \$190,664 03 | |
| Cash balance December 31, 1950 | 23,161 23 | |
| | <hr/> | \$213,825 26 |

| | | |
|-------------------------------------|--|-------------|
| Cash Balance December 31, 1950 | | \$23,161 23 |
|-------------------------------------|--|-------------|

| | | |
|-------------------------------|-------------|--|
| Balance in the Home National | | |
| Bank of Milford, December 31, | | |
| 1950 | \$33,313 14 | |

| | | |
|-----------------------------------|------------|--|
| Cash in the hands of Treasurer as | | |
| of December 31, 1950 | \$4,087 95 | |
| | <hr/> | |

\$37,401 09

| | | |
|-------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Less outstanding checks as of | | |
| December 31, 1950 | \$14,239 86 | |
| | <hr/> | \$23,161 23 |

See Town Accountant's Report for detail of Receipts and Expenditures.

| | | |
|---------------------|--|------------|
| 24 Tax Titles | | \$1,938 30 |
|---------------------|--|------------|

TRUST FUND REPORTS AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1950.
AUSTIN WOOD RELIEF FUND.

DR.

| | | |
|---|----------|------------|
| To Cash in Milford Savings Bank | \$535 25 | |
| To Interest Received from Milford Sav- ings Bank | 11 66 | |
| To Cash in Worcester County Institu- tion for Savings | 732 06 | |
| To Interest Received from Worcester County Institution for Savings | 18 41 | |
| To Reimbursement of One Selectmen's Order | 35 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$1,332 38 |

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| | | |
|--|----------|------------|
| By Cash in Milford Savings Bank | \$546 91 | |
| By Cash in Worcester County Institu- tion for Savings | 750 47 | |
| By One Selectmen's Order | 35 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$1,332 38 |

U. S. DEFENSE BOND.

DR.

| | | |
|---|------------|------------|
| To One U. S. Defense Bond | \$1,000 00 | |
| To Interest Received on Bond | 25 00 | |
| To Interest received previous to 1950 and on deposit in The Home National Bank of Milford | 155 73 | |
| To Interest received from The Home National Bank of Milford | 2 34 | |
| | <hr/> | \$1,183 07 |

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| | | |
|---|------------|------------|
| By one U. S. Defense Bond | \$1,000 00 | |
| By Cash in The Home National Bank of Milford | 183 07 | |
| | <hr/> | \$1,183 07 |

STABILIZATION FUND.

DR.

| | | |
|--|------------|-------------|
| To Cash in Milford Savings Bank | \$5,000 00 | |
| To Interest received from Milford Sav- ings Bank | 113 13 | |
| To Cash in Milford Federal Savings and Loan Association | 5,000 00 | |
| To Interest received from Milford Federal Savings and Loan Asso- ciation | 52 08 | |
| | <hr/> | \$10,165 21 |

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|--|------------|-------------|
| By Cash in Milford Savings Bank | \$5,113 13 | |
| By Cash in Milford Federal Savings and Loan Association | 5,052 08 | |
| | <hr/> | \$10,165 21 |

HONOR ROLL FUND.

DR.

| | | |
|--|----------|----------|
| To Cash in The Home National Bank of Milford | \$366 99 | |
| To Interest received from The Home National Bank of Milford | 2 75 | |
| | <hr/> | \$369 74 |

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|--|----------|----------|
| By Transfer to Honor Roll Account | \$369 74 | |
| | <hr/> | \$369 74 |

ANNA ELLIS LIBRARY FUND.

DR.

| | | |
|---|----------|----------|
| To Cash in Milford Savings Bank | \$571 83 | |
| To Interest received from Milford Savings Bank | 12 92 | |
| | <hr/> | \$584 75 |

CR.

| | | |
|---------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| By Cash in Milford Savings Bank | \$584 75 | |
| | <hr/> | \$584 75 |

NATHAN R. GEORGE, Jr. TRUST FUND.

DR.

| | | |
|--|------------|------------|
| To Cash in Milford Savings Bank | \$1,157 06 | |
| To Interest received from Milford Sav- | | |
| ings Bank | 25 65 | |
| To Reimbursement of one Selectmen's | | |
| Order | 125 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$1,307 71 |

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|---------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| By Cash in Milford Savings Bank | \$1,182 71 | |
| By one Selectmen's Order | 125 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$1,307 71 |

AUSTIN B. FLETCHER LIBRARY FUND.

DR.

| | | |
|--|------------|------------|
| To Cash in Milford Savings Bank | \$5,118 77 | |
| To Interest received from Milford Sav- | | |
| ings Bank | 115 39 | |
| | <hr/> | \$5,234 16 |

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|---------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| By Cash in Milford Savings Bank | \$5,145 22 | |
| By three Library Orders | 88 94 | |
| | <hr/> | \$5,234 16 |

COLLECTOR'S REPORT.

1950.

1948 PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES.

DR.

| | | |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------|----------|
| Taxes Outstanding Jan. 1, 1950 | \$212 00 | |
| Interest | 7 77 | |
| | <u> </u> | \$219 77 |

CR.

| | | |
|----------------------|-------------------|----------|
| Paid Treasurer | \$159 77 | |
| Abated | 60 00 | |
| Uncollected | 00 | |
| | <u> </u> | \$219 77 |

1948 REAL ESTATE TAXES.

DR.

| | | |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------|----------|
| Taxes Outstanding Jan. 1, 1950 | \$587 40 | |
| Interest | 15 68 | |
| | <u> </u> | \$602 08 |

CR.

| | | |
|----------------------|-------------------|----------|
| Paid Treasurer | \$559 48 | |
| Tax Takings | 43 60 | |
| Uncollected | 00 | |
| | <u> </u> | \$602 08 |

1949 MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES.

DR.

| | | |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------|----------|
| Total Taxes Outstanding Jan. 1, 1950 | \$625 06 | |
| Interest | 11 51 | |
| | <u> </u> | \$636 57 |

CR.

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|----------------------|----------|----------|
| Paid Treasurer | \$567 35 | |
| Abated | 69 22 | |
| Uncollected | 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$636 57 |

1949 MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES.

DR.

| | | |
|---|----------|----------|
| Total Committed Jan. 7 and Jan. 21, 1950 | \$177 30 | |
| Interest | 59 | |
| | <hr/> | \$177 89 |

CR.

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|----------------------|----------|----------|
| Paid Treasurer | \$177 89 | |
| Uncollected | 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$177 89 |

1949 PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES.

DR.

| | | |
|--------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Taxes Outstanding Jan. 1, 1950 | \$423 45 | |
| Interest | 10 32 | |
| | <hr/> | \$433 77 |

CR.

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|----------------------|----------|----------|
| Paid Treasurer | \$301 02 | |
| Uncollected | 132 75 | |
| | <hr/> | \$433 77 |

1949 REAL ESTATE TAXES.

DR.

| | | |
|--------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Taxes Outstanding Jan. 1, 1950 | \$7,440 31 | |
| Interest | 219 91 | |
| | <hr/> | \$7,660 22 |

CR.

| | | |
|-----------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Paid Treasurer | \$5,874 61 | |
| Subsequent Tax Title Credit | 49 05 | |
| Uncollected | 1,736 56 | |
| | <hr/> | \$7,660 22 |

1950 POLL TAXES.

DR.

| | | |
|-----------------------|------------|------------|
| Taxes Committed | \$1,028 00 | |
| Interest | 2 40 | |
| Costs | 26 60 | |
| | <hr/> | \$1,057 00 |

CR.

| | | |
|----------------------|----------|------------|
| Paid Treasurer | \$887 00 | |
| Abated | 170 00 | |
| Uncollected | 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$1,057 00 |

1950 MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES.

DR.

| | | |
|---------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| First Commitment April 14, 1950 | \$2,374 59 | |
| Interest | 3 03 | |
| | <hr/> | \$2,377 62 |

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|----------------------|------------|------------|
| Paid Treasurer | \$2,317 64 | |
| Abated | 59 98 | |
| Uncollected | 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$2,377 62 |

DR.

| | | |
|---------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Second Commitment Jan. 28, 1950 | \$3,735 79 | |
| Interest | 4 15 | |
| | <hr/> | \$3,739 94 |

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| | | |
|----------------------|------------|------------|
| Paid Treasurer | \$3,635 55 | |
| Abated | 79 87 | |
| Uncollected | 24 52 | |
| | <hr/> | \$3,739 94 |

DR.

| | | |
|--------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Third Commitment Sept. 8, 1950 | \$1,323 66 | |
| Interest | 1 46 | |
| | <hr/> | \$1,325 12 |

CR.

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|----------------------|------------|------------|
| Paid Treasurer | \$1,231 22 | |
| Abated | 35 33 | |
| Uncollected | 58 57 | |
| | <hr/> | \$1,325 12 |

DR.

| | | |
|--------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Fourth Commitment Oct. 5, 1950 | \$2,190 01 | |
| Interest | 2 16 | |
| | <hr/> | \$2,192 17 |

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| | | |
|----------------------|------------|------------|
| Paid Treasurer | \$2,009 74 | |
| Abated | 65 16 | |
| Uncollected | 117 27 | |
| | <hr/> | \$2,192 17 |

DR.

| | | |
|--------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Fifth Commitment Nov. 28, 1950 | \$1,321 74 | |
| | <hr/> | \$1,321 74 |

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| | | |
|----------------------|----------|------------|
| Paid Treasurer | \$629 19 | |
| Abated | 28 70 | |
| Uncollected | 663 85 | |
| | <hr/> | \$1,321 74 |

DR.

| | | |
|--------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Sixth Commitment Dec. 18, 1950 | \$635 39 | |
| | <hr/> | \$635 39 |

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|----------------------|---------|----------|
| Paid Treasurer | \$65 30 | |
| Abated | 500 00 | |
| Uncollected | 70 09 | |
| | <hr/> | \$635 39 |

1950 PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES.

DR.

| | | |
|-----------------------|------------|------------|
| Taxes Committed | \$6,472 20 | |
| Interest | 1 12 | |
| | <hr/> | \$6,473 32 |

CR.

| | | |
|----------------------|------------|------------|
| Paid Treasurer | \$5,801 26 | |
| Abated | 16 10 | |
| Uncollected | 655 96 | |
| | <hr/> | \$6,473 32 |

1950 REAL ESTATE TAXES.

DR.

| | | |
|-----------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Taxes Committed | \$70,144 48 | |
| Interest | 21 76 | |
| | <hr/> | \$70,166 24 |

CR.

| | | |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Paid Treasurer | \$61,343 43 | |
| Abated | 1,386 74 | |
| Subsequent Tax Title Credit | 227 24 | |
| Uncollected | 7,208 83 | |
| | <hr/> | \$70,166 24 |

TAX REFUNDS FOR 1950.

| | | |
|---------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| 1949 Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes | \$255 73 | |
| 1950 Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes | 147 65 | |
| 1950 Real Estate Taxes | 109 48 | |
| | <hr/> | \$512 86 |

DR.

| | | |
|---|--------|--------|
| William F. A. Graham for Certificate of Municipal Lien | \$1 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$1 00 |

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| Paid Treasurer. | \$1 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$1 00 |

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR P. DALTON,

Collector of Taxes.

January 1, 1951.

ASSESSORS' REPORT.

The Assessors' Recapitulation Sheet of Aggregates is given below:

RECAPITULATION SHEET.

Town Appropriations:

| | | |
|---|--------------|--------------|
| Voted since 1949 Tax Rate was fixed | \$137,547 74 | |
| State Taxes, 1950 | 517 44 | |
| County Taxes, 1950 | 6,284 08 | |
| Overlay for 1950 | 2,000 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$146,349 26 |

| | | |
|--------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Estimated Receipts | \$57,933 10 | |
| Available Funds | 9,658 28 | |
| | <hr/> | \$68,704 58 |

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|---|------------|-------------|
| Net amount raised on Polls and Property | | \$77,644 68 |
| 514 Poll Taxes at \$2.00 | \$1,028 00 | |
| Personal Property | 6,472 20 | |
| Real Estate | 70,144 48 | |
| | <hr/> | \$77,644 68 |

| | |
|--|-----|
| Number of Assessments on Real Estate | 657 |
| Number of Assessments on Personal Estate | 72 |

| | | |
|--|----------------|----------------|
| Value of Assessed Stock-in-trade | \$5,600 00 | |
| Value of Assessed Live Stock | 82,860 00 | |
| Value of Assessed Machinery | 49,000 00 | |
| Value of all other Assessed Personal Estate | 3,240 00 | |
| Total Value of Assessed Personal Property | | \$140,700 00 |
| Value of Assessed Buildings, excluding land | \$1,187,250 00 | |
| Value of Assessed Land, excluding buildings | 337,630 00 | |
| Total Value of Real Estate | | \$1,524 880 00 |
| Total Value of Assessed Property | | \$1,665 580 00 |
| Tax on Personal Estate | \$6,472 20 | |
| Tax on Real Estate | 70,144 48 | |
| Tax on Polls | 1,028 00 | |
| | | \$77,644 68 |
| Rate of Tax per \$1,000.00 | \$46 00 | |
| Number of Horses Assessed | 15 | |
| Number of Cows Assessed | 535 | |
| Number of Neat Cattle other than Cows Assessed | 80 | |
| Number of Swine Assessed | 23 | |
| Number of Fowl Assessed | 3500 | |
| Number of Dwelling Houses Assessed | 479 | |
| Number of Acres of Land Assessed | 10,721 | |

MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES COMMITTED TO
COLLECTOR IN 1950.

| | |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|
| Vehicles registered in 1950 | \$11,581 18 |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|

MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES ABATED.

| | |
|------------------|----------|
| 1950 Taxes | \$916 69 |
|------------------|----------|

OVERLAY ACCOUNT 1950.

| | |
|-----------------------|------------|
| 1950 Overlay | \$2,000 00 |
| 1950 Abatements | 1,512 32 |

Respectfully submitted,

DONALD B. LOWELL, Chairman,

D. KINSLEY BARNES,

CHARLES F. LEONARD,

Board of Assessors.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT.

1950.

DOGS LICENSED IN 1950.

| | | |
|---|----------|----------------|
| 142 Males at \$2.00 each | \$284 00 | |
| 26 Females at \$5.00 each | 130 00 | |
| 68 Spayed Females at \$2.00 each | 136 00 | |
| 2 Kennel Licenses at \$10.00 each | 20 00 | |
| | | <hr/> \$570 00 |

| | |
|--|-------|
| Less Clerk's fees: 238 Licenses at 20c | 47 60 |
|--|-------|

| | |
|---|----------|
| Cash Paid Town Treasurer as per monthly statements | \$522 40 |
|---|----------|

Attention is called to the fact that all dogs *three* months old or more must be licensed at the Town Clerk's office on or before April 1, 1951. No bills are sent for this tax, so please co-operate by paying your Dog License promptly. Dog owners should realize that the Dog Refund is added to the General School Fund, and should be more prompt in paying this tax.

SPORTING LICENSES ISSUED FROM
JANUARY 1, 1950 TO DECEMBER 31, 1950.

| | | | |
|--|-----|--------|----------|
| Series 1 Resident Citizen Fishing | 101 | \$2.00 | \$202.00 |
| 2 Resident Citizen Hunting | 99 | 2.00 | 198.00 |
| 3 Resident Citizen Sporting | 98 | 3.25 | 318.50 |
| 4 Resident Citizen Minor and Female Fishing | 60 | 1.25 | 75.00 |
| 5 Resident Citizen Minor Trap- ping | 1 | 2.25 | 2.25 |
| 9 Non-resident Citizen Fishing | 5 | 5.25 | 26.25 |
| 9 Alien Fishing | 2 | 5.25 | 10.50 |
| 10 Non-resident Citizen Hunting | 1 | 10.25 | 10.25 |
| 12 Duplicate | 3 | .50 | 1.50 |
| 15 Resident Citizen Sporting (Free) | 10 | ..... | ..... |
| 16 Resident Citizen Military or Naval (Free) | 6 | ..... | ..... |
| 17 Resident Citizen Fishing (Old Age, Free) | 2 | ..... | ..... |
| | | | <hr/> |
| | | | \$844.25 |
| Less Fees retained by Clerk | 367 | .25 | 91.75 |
| | | | <hr/> |
| Amount paid to Division of Fisheries and Game as per monthly statements | | | \$752.50 |

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN 1950.

| Date of Birth 1950 | Name of Child | Name of Parents with Maiden Name of Mother |
|-----------------------|------------------------------|--|
| Jan. 23 | Raymond Theodore Ricard, Jr. | Raymond T. and Claire Blanchard |
| 31 | Linda Marie Liberty | Hervey F. and Doris Viens |
| Feb. 10 | William Michial Houlihan | Peter P. and Bridget T. Connolly |
| 24 | Carleton Warren Cox | Nathaniel B. and Doris M. Daniels |
| Mar. 15 | Henry Paul Bracci | Henry J. and Rose M. Sabourin |
| 26 | Robert Earle Whiting, Jr. | Robert E. and Beatrice M. Sanborn |
| 27 | James Martin Laundry | Delphus G. and Mary J. Whitney |
| Apr. 2 | Henry James VanderSluis | Robert and Elizabeth Heerd |
| 2 | Ronald Robert Brown | Henry W. and Josephine Arcudi |
| 9 | Russell Francis Dudley | Raymond C. and Martha Thompson |
| 22 | Karen June Euzukonis | Frank J. and Olivette Pearse |
| May 8 | Steven Vincent Kraft | Steven and Florence Noyes |
| 12 | Calvert Barry Carr | Albert F. and Joyce M. Cram |
| 15 | James Gordon Creasia | Nicholas L. and Theresa Merolli |
| June 2 | Richard James Appleby | Stuart M. and Lorraine Carmody |
| 8 | Kathleen Joyce Biggs | Gerald E. and Georgina R. Derrick |
| 30 | Candace Lynn Hutchinson | George P. and Patricia Gaskell |
| July 12 | Eric Tracey Torey | Karl H. and Ruth Tracey |
| 12 | Lynda Frances Gaskill | John F. and Dorothy Murray |
| 14 | David Edward Gardner | Edward T. and Marilyn Beal |
| 28 | Robert Alan Boiteau | Robert A. and Marilyn Cote |
| 28 | Susan Gall Leoncini | Joseph S. and Anita Harback |
| 31 | Duquette | Eugene J. and Rita Forget |
| Aug. 2 | Deborah Ann Iannitelli | Albert and Priscilla Atkinson |
| 11 | Robert Dominic Legge | Dominic and Henrietta Macomber |
| 12 | Bruce John Tycks | Thomas P. and Teresa Tetreault |
| 18 | Marcia Jean Bennett | Ralph G. and Virginia H. Lougee |
| 18 | Lee Nelson FitzGerald | Chester F. and Hazel I. Nelson |
| 20 | Paul Berry | Francis L. and Mary E. McCarty |
| 20 | Jane Elizabeth Mason | Norman S. and Clara M. Boover |
| 25 | David Russell Paddock | Arthur and Laurita Phipps |
| Sept. 1 | Charles Edward Reneau | Charles J. and Rita M. Casey |
| 1 | Patricia Lynne Harvey | Edward G. and Helen L. Berg |
| 13 | Robert Roger Rondeau | Harvey I. and Gabrielle Cousineau |
| 22 | Lawrence Irwin Ray, 3rd | Laurence I. and Teresa Shurick |
| 30 | Donald Vincent Hazard, Jr. | Donald V. and Dorothy Maron |
| 30 | Claudia Young | Merton R. and Hazel J. McNiff |
| Oct. 7 | Paul Emile Paquin | Jean P. and Marjorie L. Rockwood |
| Nov. 7 | Nancy Alice Good | Gordon R. and Dorothy Goodnow |
| 10 | Joseph Adelard Nolet | Adelard J. and Jean A. LaBossiere |
| 28 | Hensel | William and Anne Bosma |
| Dec. 1 | Nancy Whitney Adams | Harold E., Jr. and Joan B. Jackson |
| 15 | Carol Ann Fureciniti | Philip P. and Mary Piscitello |

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN 1950.

| Date of Marriage 1950 | | Place of Marriage | Names | Residence |
|--------------------------|----|-----------------------|--|--|
| Jan. | 21 | Mendon | Edward T. Gardner Marilyn Beal | Mendon Mendon |
| Feb. | 4 | Milford, Mass. | Charles E. Auty | Mendon |
| | 10 | Mendon | Frances M. Tomaso Arthur F. Paddock, Jr. | Milford, Mass. Mendon |
| Apr. | 8 | Northbridge, Mass. | Laurita A. Phipps Edward J. Rondeau | Mendon Mendon |
| | 15 | Mendon | Jane A. Hetherinton Clifford Leonard Peterson | Northbridge, Mass. Worcester, Mass. |
| | 22 | Hopedale, Mass. | Shirley Mae Coleman Stanislaus J. Wojnowski | Mendon Milford, Mass. |
| | 29 | Hopedale, Mass. | Elizabeth A. Grant Donald Andrew Kempton | Mendon Mendon |
| May | 20 | Milford, Mass. | Shirley Ann Wright Francis W. Taylor | Mendon Milford, Mass. |
| | 27 | Milford, Mass. | Barbara A. Devoll Roland L. Carlson | Mendon Mendon |
| June | 10 | Medway, Mass. | Marjorie E. Boyd Primo Francis Bonati, Jr. | Milford, Mass. Mendon |
| | 17 | Mendon | Nancy Maria Fiori Ferdinand Bison | Medway, Mass. Mendon |
| | 24 | Milford, Mass. | Miriam Hope Thomas Ettore John Magliocca | Mendon Mendon |
| July | 1 | Westboro, Mass. | Viola Brenna Robert K. Fagan | Milford, Mass. Mendon |
| | 1 | Hopedale, Mass. | Shirley Ann Christensen George A. Daige, Jr. | Westboro, Mass. Hopedale, Mass. |
| | 1 | Worcester, Mass. | Gladys Care Daniel H. Taft | Mendon Sturbridge, Mass. |
| | 4 | Hopedale, Mass. | Lois E. Rosenquist Norman Leo Desmarais | Mendon Hopedale, Mass. |
| | 15 | Foxboro, Mass. | Marie A. L. LeBlanc Gilbert W. Beal | Mendon Foxboro, Mass. |
| Aug. | 26 | Hopedale, Mass. | Evelyn M. Sullivan Robert Howard Hackenson | Mendon Hopedale, Mass. |
| Sept. | 1 | Seabrook, N. H. | Helen Frances Charge Henry Arthur D'Allessandro | Milford, Mass. Mendon |
| | 2 | Milford, Mass. | Gladys Ann Paddock Norman E. Halsing | Mendon Milford, Mass. |
| | 4 | Milford, Mass. | Pauline Jane Covino Alfred A. Lee | Mendon Mendon |
| | | | Blanche Lambert | Milford, Mass. |

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN 1950.

| Date of Marriage 1950 | Place of Marriage | Names | Residence |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------|---|--------------------------------|
| 27 | Northbridge, Mass. | Harry Wiersma Ethel Roorda | Mendon Northbridge, Mass. |
| 30 | Grafton, Mass. | Frank J. Craddock, Jr. Frances E. Bellofatto | Mendon Upton, Mass. |
| Oct. | 7 Bellingham, Mass. | Aldore Ernest Tetreault Pauline Alice Leclair | Mendon Bellingham, Mass. |
| 21 | Forrest Hills, Mass. | Henry Delbert Bond Jean E. Farr | Mendon Forrest Hills, Mass. |
| Nov. | 11 Medway, Mass. | David F. Thomas Catherine A. DeLorenzo | Mendon Medway, Mass. |
| 11 | Blackstone, Mass. | Lucien Paquin Irene Chudy | Mendon Blackstone, Mass. |
| Dec. | 16 Grafton, Mass. | Patrick Richards Veronica Lila Varteresian | Mendon Medway, Mass. |
| 30 | Hopedale, Mass. | Stanley E. Chapin | Mendon |
| 30 | Milford, Mass. | Marion L. Closson Gordon B. Butler Dorothy Bracci | Mendon Milford, Mass. |

DEATHS REGISTERED IN 1950.

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| Date of Death 1950 | Name | Age | | | Cause of Death |
|--------------------------|------------------------------|-----|----|-------|---|
| | | Y | M | D | |
| Jan. 11 | Mathew Mantoni | 39 | 2 | 30 | Multiple gunshot wounds of abdomen and chest |
| 13 | Julia Abrahamson Halsing | 81 | .. | 20 | Myocarditis |
| 25 | Annie Capstick McTurk | 92 | .. | 12 | Cerebral hemorrhage |
| Feb. 23 | Grace Whiting Johnson | 69 | 10 | 5 | Cerebral hemorrhage |
| Mar. 4 | Winifred Evelyn Brennen Pond | 84 | 4 | 15 | Myocarditis |
| 26 | Georgine Wilde Burt | 64 | 3 | 12 | Hypertensive heart disease |
| Apr. 1 | Nathan Marcena Daniels | 77 | 4 | 14 | Sub-arachnoid hemorrhage |
| 11 | George E. Walker | 86 | 7 | 26 | Hemorrhage by suicide |
| May 21 | Frank E. Hersey | 67 | 11 | 18 | Coronary occlusion |
| June 14 | Nettie Luella Russell Cromb | 85 | 4 | 25 | Cardio vascular renal disease |
| July 6 | Charlotte E. Marlow Lowell | 44 | 4 | 1 | Carcinoma of uterus and metastasis |
| 25 | Mary E. Hoyle Wright | 90 | 0 | 9 | Hypertensive heart disease |
| Aug. 18 | George W. Davis | 82 | .. | .. | Broucho pneumonia |
| Nov. 7 | Nancy Alice Good | .. | 3 | hours | Prematurity |
| 22 | Marco Balzarini | 72 | .. | .. | Massive cerebral hemorrhage |
| 30 | Rosalie Gauthier Tetreault | 81 | 7 | 14 | Generalized arterio-sclerosis |
| Dec. 3 | Clyde F. Saunders | 51 | 9 | 13 | Congestive heart failure |
| 9 | Wilson B. Dalrymple | 53 | .. | 3 | Coronary occlusion |
| 10 | William E. Payce, Sr. | 44 | .. | .. | Hypertensive heart disease |
| 26 | Joseph Albert Boover | 69 | 9 | .. | Coronary occlusion |

Parents and others are requested to carefully examine the above lists and if any errors or omissions are discovered report them at once to the town clerk, that the record may be corrected, as it is of importance that the records of Vital Statistics should be complete.

GENERAL LAWS, CHAPTER 46, SECTION 6.

Parents, within forty days after the birth of a child, and every householder, within forty days after a birth in his house, shall cause notice thereof to be given to the clerk of the town where such child is born * * *.

NOTICE

SOME OF THE MANY

REASONS WHY BIRTHS SHOULD BE RECORDED.

To establish identity.

To prove nationality.

To prove legitimacy.

To show when the child has the right to enter school.

To show when the child has the right to seek employment under the child labor law.

To establish the right of inheritance to property.

To establish liability to military duty, as well as exemption therefrom.

To establish age and citizenship in order to vote.

To qualify to hold title to, and to buy or sell real estate.

To establish the right to hold public office.

To prove the age at which the marriage contract may be entered into.

To prove age to determine validity of a contract entered into by an alleged minor.

To prove age for Old Age Assistance.

To prove age so as to have the right to take Civil Service Examinations.

Parents be sure to record the birth of your child with given name in full.

Your co-operation to the end that all births may be properly recorded will be greatly appreciated.

Parents will please return the supplemental birth report sent them by the Clerk, even though they have received one from the Clerk of the town in which the child was born. The corrections are not forwarded to the Mendon Town Clerk.

Blanks for the return of all Vital records can be obtained from the Town Clerk.

I take this opportunity in wishing the Townspeople a very prosperous year during 1951.

Respectfully submitted,

ALBERT S. COLEMAN,

Town Clerk.

Mendon, January 1, 1951.

REPORT OF FIRE ENGINEERS.

December 31, 1950.

To the Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

The Fire Department answered 37 alarms in 1950, as follows:

| | |
|---------------------|------------------------|
| 9 Chimney Fires | 1 Barn Fire |
| 4 Auto Fires | 1 Shack Fire |
| 2 Oil Burners | 1 Brooder House Fire |
| 2 Dwelling Houses | 1 Gasoline Roller Fire |
| 2 Smoke Scares | 1 False Alarm |
| 13 Hallowe'en Fires | |

at an estimated damage of \$2,700.00.

We also pumped out 4 cellars and 5 wells.

We burned over the grass at the Library, Town Hall, and High School as well as many private lots.

The Firemen completed the cupboards in the kitchen of the Fire Station.

The Fire Siren which has been in use since 1926 is beyond repair and a new Siren has been ordered. The new one will be more weatherproof and will be a three phase motor with no brushes or commutator to wear out.

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD F. LOWELL,

NORRY J. DAIGE,

WILLIAM F. IRONS,

Fire Engineers.

REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT 1950.

| | |
|-----------------------------------|----|
| Stolen cars recovered | 2 |
| Complaints answered | 44 |
| Auto accidents investigated | 16 |
| Breaks investigated | 14 |
| Arrests made | 6 |
| Summons served | 8 |
| Court cases | 2 |
| Deaths investigated | 1 |

Respectfully submitted,
RAYMOND A. ROGERS,
Chief of Police.

REPORT OF INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTERING.

To the Board of Health:

Gentlemen:

I wish to report one meat inspection for the year 1950.

Respectfully submitted,
WILLARD N. SEIBERT,
Inspector of Slaughtering.

REPORT OF SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

| | Scales | Amount |
|----------------------------|----------|--------------|
| Scales under 100 lbs. | 8 | \$4.00 |
| Scales over 100 lbs. | 1 | 1.00 |
| Gasoline pumps | 8 | 2.00 |
| | <hr/> 17 | <hr/> \$7.00 |

Fees and adjusting charges authorized by Section 56
G. L. Ch. 98 as amended by Ch. 34 Acts of 1949.

I have collected \$7.00 for sealing fees and have turned
this amount over to the Town Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,

RAYMOND A. MILLER,
Sealer.

REPORT OF WIRING INSPECTOR.

Electric inspections 20 @ \$1.00 each \$20.00

I have collected and turned over to the Town Treasurer
\$20.00 for electrical inspections.

WALTER J. CHANNING,
Inspector of Wires.

REPORT OF THE HIGHWAY SURVEYOR.

To the Board of Selectmen

Gentlemen:

I submit the following annual report of work done on the Town roads for the year 1950:

CHAPTER 81.

13,000 gallons of asphalt and 1,500 gallons of tar were applied to various roads under this Chapter.

A drop inlet and 225 feet of drainage were installed in the center of Town near the residence of Mr. Irving Thompson, to take care of a situation that has been bad for some time. This also takes care of the open ditch in front of the Fire Station, and has made a larger parking space.

On Hartford Avenue, East, 78 feet of drainage and a drop inlet were installed to correct an overflow of water caused by Varney Bros. filling in their property, thus throwing the water into the Town highway. Mr. Varney cooperated with us on this project.

The corner of Hartford Avenue, East, near the old shoddy mill was cut back so there is now a good view both ways. This improvement makes driving safer for the school bus as well as the large trucks that use this highway.

On Bates Street, the corner near Thayer Road was also cut back for better view both ways, and to make the road safer for the school bus and general traffic. This will also facilitate the plowing of snow in this locality.

Gravel was applied to Miscoe Road from the residence of Mr. Byrnes to the property of Mr. Elmer Nelson, to make the road more passable for the time being. Further work will be necessary on this road in 1951.

750 yards of gravel have been applied to various roads, and brush was cut on all Chapter 81 roads during the past year.

CHAPTER 90 MAINTENANCE.

7,932 gallons of tar and 7,795 gallons of asphalt were applied to these roads.

There were 3,000 feet of roadway honed on Providence Street and 4,500 feet honed on Northbridge Road.

Shoulders were cut back on Millville Road beginning at the airport and advancing as far as Tetreault's garage.

Brush was cut on all of these roads.

CHAPTER 90 CONSTRUCTION.

4,530 gallons of asphalt, 10,438 gallons of tar and 3,022 yards of gravel were used on construction on Providence Street. The roadway was broken up and regraded; the curves were elevated and in some places the road was widened. One mile and two hundred feet were completed this year.

CONCLUSION.

I wish to thank the Board of Selectmen, the Townspeople and the State and County Engineers for their co-operation and assistance during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM R. BOWEN,

Highway Surveyor.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS.

Mendon, Mass., January 1, 1951.

The East Mendon Water System which has been in use in that section of the Town since the latter part of 1947, had a total of 32 takers receiving service, and ten hydrants available as of December 31, 1950.

There are eight new houses under construction which are to be serviced, and one new hydrant will be installed. An article appears in the Town Warrant for a sum of money to take care of the extensions for these new houses and for more that are anticipated.

These additional services will make a substantial increase in the water revenue which the Town will receive as well as in the tax revenue.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANKLIN E. GOODNOW,
EVERETT G. WATSON,
DONATO F. LEONE,

Water Commissioners.

SEVENTIETH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TRUSTEES OF THE TAFT PUBLIC LIBRARY.

The Trustees of the Taft Public Library submit the report of the Librarian, Financial Report, and Trustees' Report for the year ending December 31, 1950.

The Trustees are very much pleased to report that the library building has had two coats of paint applied to the exterior, in accordance with the terms of contract made in April with Breault & Jacques of Linwood, Mass. It is especially gratifying to the Trustees that it was possible to complete the work and not exceed the four hundred dollars appropriation made for that purpose at the last annual town meeting.

The Trustees wish to record their appreciation to Bradshaw Memorial Company of Natick for repairs on the Memorial Plaque Tablet which was badly broken last year when weakened wall supports caused it to fall.

In these days when television and radio are more and more curtailing general reading by young and old alike, it is well to remember that the Library still continues to try to provide the best of current literature for all to enjoy. Its facilities are available to all members of the community.

The Trustees wish to express their appreciation for the excellent and faithful work of Mrs. Vestella M. Daniels, Librarian, and for her professional interest in library work.

Respectfully submitted,
HENRY P. CLOUGH, Secretary,
NINA M. BURR,
PERCY L. ROWE,
GORDON GOOD,
HAROLD J. FAIRBANKS,
Library Trustees.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

To the Trustees of the Taft Public Library.

The circulation for the year (99 days) was 4,049; the largest number given out in one day, 101; the smallest, 5; the average, 41. Circulation by classes: Fiction, 1108; Juvenile, 1024; Magazines, 489; Biography, 108; Travel, 41; History, 78; Literature, 18; Sciences and all others, 183. New books added to the Library by the Fletcher Fund, 49; by the Town, 44, making a total of 93. Also, 12 books were received as gifts, 10 from Miss Janet Robinson. Books withdrawn from the shelves because worn out or lost number 133. There are now 10,484 volumes in the Library.

The Library subscribes to the following magazines: American, American Home, Atlantic Monthly, Better Homes and Gardens, Boys' Life, Colliers, Good Housekeeping, Ladies' Home Journal, Life, McCall's, National Geographic, Popular Mechanics, Reader's Digest, Red Book, Saturday Evening Post, Time, and Woman's Home Companion. Fines collected during the year amounted to \$17.26, which has been turned over to the Town Treasurer.

In July and August the Story Hour for children from 5 to 10 years of age was conducted by Miss Janet Robinson, under the supervision of the Librarian. Since September Miss Iris Rogers and Miss Shirley Steere have been high school assistants.

The Librarian received a Professional Librarian's Certificate on April 12, 1950.

Respectfully submitted,
VESTELLA M. DANIELS,
Librarian.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

AND

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

OF THE

TOWN OF MENDON

MASSACHUSETTS

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1950

SCHOOL DIRECTORY 1950—1951.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

| | |
|----------------------------------|-------------------|
| Herbert F. Bowen, Chairman | Term Expires 1952 |
| Gordon R. Good | Term Expires 1951 |
| Richard Harding, Secretary | Term Expires 1953 |

Regular meetings held at the Center School building on the fourth Monday of each month at 7.30 P. M.

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS—PERCY L. ROWE, B.S.E., Ed. M.

The Superintendent may be met every Tuesday and Wednesday at the Mendon High School or by appointment.

Office—Center School, Bellingham Center

Office Hours—4.00 P. M. to 5.00 P. M. on School days.

Telephone, Milford 152-4

SCHOOL PHYSICIAN.

Francis L. Berry, M. D. Telephone, Milford 2934-R

SCHOOL NURSE.

Eileen Brown, R. N. Milford District Nursing Association

JANITOR.

Raymond Barrows

Mendon, Mass.

TRANSPORTATION AGENTS

Harold C. Barrows, Mendon, Mass.

Jesse F. White, Mendon, Mass.

ATTENDANCE OFFICER

Robert Bartlett

Mendon, Mass.

TEACHERS.

| Name | Subject or Grade. | Preparation | Degrees or Yrs. in Town | Yrs. Ser. in Town |
|----------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|-------------------------|-------------------|
| Henry P. Clough, Principal | Algebra, French, Geometry, Geography | Dartmouth College and New Hampshire University | B.S. Ed.M. | 23rd |
| Raymond F. Biedrzycki | Math., Biology, Science, Physics | Rhode Island State | B.S. | Fifth |
| Mary C. McCormack | Commercial Ed. | Regis College | B.S. | Sixth |
| Louise Benotti | Home Economics, Social Science | Simmons College | B.S. | Fourth |
| Doris O'Neill | English, Latin | Worcester State Tea. Col. | B.S.E. | Third |
| Virginia Mayo | Grades 5 and 6 | Bridgewater State Tea. Col. | B.S.E. | Seventh |
| Dorothy L. Stanas | Grades 4 and 5 | Worcester State Tea. | B.S.E. | First |
| Barbara Seaver | Grade 3 | Framingham State Tea. Col. | B.S.E. | Sixth |
| Grace Gaskell | Grade 2 | Framingham State Tea. Col. | Two | Twelfth |
| Bertha Hamman | Grade 1 | Rhode Island College | 2½ | Fifth |
| Mary E. Phelan | Grade 6 | Regis College | A.B. | First |
| (Resigned, June 20, 1950) | | | | |

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SUPERVISORS.

| Name | Subject | Preparation | Degrees or Yrs. in Town | Yrs. Ser. in Town |
|---------------------|-------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------|
| Christine Wilson | Music | N. E. Conservatory of Music | Diploma 3 Yrs. | Third |
| William L. Rinehart | Handwriting | University of Pittsburgh | M. A. | Fourth |

SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR PERIOD FROM
JANUARY, 1951 TO JUNE, 1952.

HIGH SCHOOL.

Open January 2, 1951, Close April 13, 1951.
Open April 23, 1951, Close June 22, 1951.

SUMMER VACATION.

Open September 5, 1951, Close December 21, 1951.
Open January 2, 1952, Close April 18, 1952.
Open April 28, 1952, Close June 13, 1952.

ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS.

Close February 16, 1951, Open February 26, 1951.
Otherwise, same as High School.
Close June 15, 1951.
Close June 6, 1952.

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS.

February 22, 1951, Washington's Birthday.
May 30, 1951, Memorial Day.
October 12, 1951, Columbus Day.
November 12, 1951, Armistice Day Holiday.
Thanksgiving Recess, Thanksgiving Day and Friday
following.
All Legal Holidays.

AGE OF ADMISSION TO SCHOOL.

Any child who becomes six years of age on or before January first of the year following the term when he wishes to enter school may be admitted into the first grade, but in every case the admission of a child under six shall be dependent upon the fitness of the child to profit by the work of the school, such fitness to be determined by the superintendent. Pupils under seven years of age who have not previously attended school shall not be permitted to enter later than thirty days after the opening of school in September of any school year

SCHOOL REGULATIONS.

Any complaint or representation which any person desires to make shall be presented or referred in writing to the superintendent of schools, who, at his discretion may bring it before the school committee. In cases of discipline or other school matters relating to their children, parents shall first discuss the matter with the teacher concerned. If for some reason they are not satisfied they will further discuss the matter with the following persons, if necessary, and in the following order: first, the principal of the building and then the superintendent of schools. If, finally, the superintendent has been unable to satisfy the parents, he shall report the case to the school committee for consideration and action.

THE NO SCHOOL SIGNAL.

It is the policy of the school officials to practically abandon the use of the "no school" signal on account of weather

conditions. This is in line with what many other cities and towns are doing. The reasons for so doing are that much confusion has resulted from the use of the "no school" signal and the realization that the loss of even one school day is a very serious one.

However, there may be days when it is advisable to close schools on account of severe weather conditions or other emergency.

Arrangements have been made with Radio Stations WNAC, WBZ, and WWON to broadcast the fact whenever it is necessary to close the schools. The "no school" signals are usually given before, during or immediately after the news program. The siren will also blow two blasts twice at 7.30 A. M.

If schools do not close on any particularly bad days (rain, snow, or cold) parents are requested, and urged, to use their own judgment in sending their children to school.

SCHOOL FINANCIAL REPORT.

RECEIPTS.

| | | |
|-----------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| General Appropriation | \$48,963 31 | |
| Dog Tax, 1950 | 378 89 | |
| Total Receipts | ————— | \$49,342 20 |
| Total Expenditures | \$49,341 76 | |
| Unexpended Balance | | 44 |

REIMBURSEMENTS.

| | | |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| State Aid | \$10,118 46 | |
| Superintendent: Salary, Transpor- | | |
| tation | 1,471 18 | |
| All School Transportation | 6,625 21 | |
| Boston City Wards | 354 91 | |
| State Wards | 79 11 | |
| Vocational Education | 386 12 | |
| Total Reimbursements | ————— | \$19,034 99 |

TAXATION COST OF SCHOOLS.

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|----------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Total Expenditures | \$49,341 76 | |
| Reimbursements | 19,034 99 | |
| Net Cost by Taxation | ————— | \$30,306 77 |

EXPENDITURES.

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|--------------------------------|----------|--|
| School Committee Expense | \$25 00 | |
| Superintendent's Salary | 2,173 55 | |

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|---------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Superintendent's Expense | 316 64 |
| Music Supervisor's Salary | 562 64 |
| Handwriting Supervisor's Salary | 350 00 |
| Teachers' Salaries | 24,788 60 |
| Textbooks | 984 07 |
| School Supplies | 797 13 |
| Wages of Janitor | 2,510 50 |
| Fuel | 2,083 34 |
| Janitor's Supplies | 602 71 |
| Electricity | 409 81 |
| Telephone | 128 00 |
| Maintenance | 1,238 31 |
| Repairs | 2,697 02 |
| Health | 464 06 |
| Transportation | 8,349 97 |
| New Equipment | 860 41 |
| Total Expenditures | <hr/> \$49,341 76 |

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Mendon, Massachusetts,

January 14, 1951.

To the Citizens of the Town of Mendon:

As we, the School Committee make out this, our annual report, may we extend our wishes for a prosperous and progressive year ahead.

We wish to express our appreciation to you for your patient understanding and cooperation while the new boiler was being installed in the high school. It was a trying time for everyone, but we are happy to report that the new boiler is operating in a very efficient manner, and should give many years of satisfactory service.

We wish to call to your attention that we are deeply grateful for the assistance and advice given us by the Board of Selectmen, the Finance Committee, and the Board of Assessors regarding the new boiler.

The painting of the interior of the school building is progressing rapidly, with only the two corridors remaining to be painted. With the painting of the exterior this year, we believe that we have a school building of which to be proud.

We also wish to call your attention to the fact that with the increased membership of pupils it may be necessary to build an additional classroom in the school lunchroom.

The school lunch program has progressed very satisfactorily under the capable supervision of Mrs. Edna Brown. It is gratifying to see so many mothers participating in this program. Wholesome and attractive meals are served daily and enjoyed by both teachers and pupils.

Parents' Night was held in November, 1950, giving parents the opportunity to see actual classroom procedure. Many attended, and the evening was a real success.

With the increased cost of living, we are faced with the need of increasing the salaries of our school personnel. We should like to call to your attention, with some pride, that we have had a very low turnover in our school personnel. We earnestly solicit your support in this matter.

With such a great responsibility having been entrusted to us we greatly appreciate the opportunity to serve you as school committeemen.

We greatly appreciate the cooperation so faithfully given us by, Supt. Rowe, Principal Clough, our splendid teaching staff, Mr. Raymond Barrows, and the transportation agents, Mr. Jesse White and Mr. Harold Barrows.

Respectfully submitted,
HERBERT F. BOWEN.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

To the School Committee of Mendon:

Gentlemen:

It is with pleasure that I submit for your consideration my eighth annual report as Superintendent of Schools of Mendon.

Only one change occurred in the teaching staff during the year. In the summer Miss Mary Phelan resigned in order to accept a better position. Mrs. Dorothy Stanas, of Hopdale, and a graduate of Worcester State Teachers College, was engaged to fill the vacancy.

Our enrollment figures are increasing rapidly at the present time. The following table shows the total enrollment as of October 1, grades 1 to XII, over a ten-year period.

| Year | Number |
|------------|--------|
| 1941 | 298 |
| 1942 | 307 |
| 1943 | 284 |
| 1944 | 262 |
| 1945 | 249 |
| 1946 | 247 |
| 1947 | 249 |
| 1948 | 249 |
| 1949 | 259 |
| 1950 | 297 |

It will be noted that the largest attendance was in 1942 with 307 pupils, and that the smallest was in 1946 with 247. It is also noticeable that the attendance for the years 1945, 1946, 1947, and 1948 remained practically stationary. 1949 showed an increase of ten over 1948. 1950 showed an increase of 38 over 1949. It is estimated that the September, 1951 enrollment will be about 315, and that in September, 1952 there will be approximately 330.

In 1942, the year of the largest enrollment, all four of the first floor classrooms—children in grades one to six—were seriously overcrowded with an average of about 45 pupils, and with two grades in a room. Even with a single grade in a room, such a condition is educationally unsound.

The town is growing steadily in population. The census figures over a twenty-year period are as follows:

| Year | Number |
|------------|--------|
| 1930 | 1107 |
| 1940 | 1315 |
| 1945 | 1504 |
| 1950 | 1614 |

Considerable new homes are now being constructed. Children from families moving into town will increase our school attendance. We have 29 pupils attending private and parochial schools. The birth rates each year have a tendency to increase.

Taking into consideration all of the known factors influencing future school enrollment, it would seem that expansion of the school plant must be provided for in the immediate future.

The regular classroom instruction has continued on a high level. Particular emphasis has been placed on the language arts—reading, English, diction, spelling, and handwriting. Safety education is constantly being stressed, and health education is receiving careful attention. Our work in music, under the direction of Miss Wilson, is progressing most satisfactorily. Handwriting, under the direction of Mr. William L. Rinehart, is improving. Many new textbooks were purchased, as well as all of the necessary materials of instruction. One of the most important factors in maintaining a good instructional program is the retaining of capable teachers over a period of years. We have been able to accomplish this aim for the last two or three years.

American Education Week was observed in all classes in November. An evening session was held in order that more parents, especially fathers, could visit classes. Many parents took advantage of this opportunity to visit their school. Parents are cordially invited to visit the school and classrooms at any time.

A visiting and registration day was held in May for first grade children who planned to enter grade one in September for the first time. Nineteen pupils were registered at this time. Ten pupils who entered in September were not registered. Another such day will be held this year when we hope to have all children register for September, 1951.

The continued interest in the school of the Parent-Teacher Association is deeply appreciated. The school cafeteria has been most successfully operated during the year, and fills a very important part of the entire school program. The play school for the smaller children held at the close of school in June was a splendid project. The P. T. A. was instrumental in obtaining a United Nations Flag for the school, and has been very helpful and cooperative in many other ways.

The annual census of all children residing in the town on October 1, 1950 was taken in October. The results are shown in the following tabulation:

DISTRIBUTION OF MINORS.

| | 5 years or over and under 7 | 7 years or over and under 16 |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Boys | 24 | 125 |
| Girls | 31 | 136 |
| Total | 55 | 261 |
| In public school membership | 33 | 236 |
| In private school membership | 5 | 24 |
| Not enrolled in any school | 17 | 1 |
| Total | 55 | 261 |

In the vocational education field, adult evening and sewing classes were held in the winter months. These classes were under the direction and supervision of Mrs. Anne Davenport. Two classes were organized, one for beginners, and one for advanced students. Quite a number of local women took the opportunity of joining the classes and many fine pieces of clothing were made at very reasonable cost. This entire project was most successful, and very valuable for those who took part in it.

More extensive repairs than usual have been made during the past year. The outstanding repairs and improvements are as follows:

New boiler, oil burner, and 5,000 gallon fuel oil tank.

Painting entire exterior of building two coats.

Refinishing and redecorating all second floor classrooms and two laboratories.

New individual desks and chairs for two classrooms.

Repainted entire basement lunch room—ceiling, walls, and floor.

Repainted Home Economics room—ceiling, walls and floor.

Floodlights for parking area.

The major repair item and improvement for the year was the installation of a new boiler and oil burner. A delay in the delivery of the boiler, due to World conditions, necessitated the loss of ten school days before heat was ready on October 19, 1950. Some of these lost school days have already been made up. It will probably be necessary to run school a week longer in June in order to make up all lost days. The boiler is an H. B. Smith Company, water tube boiler. The burner is a Petro and uses No. 5 oil. To date both boiler and burner have been very satisfactory. The No. 5 oil can be purchased at a considerably lower cost than a lighter oil and produces a greater amount of heat. The building can be maintained at a more even temperature especially nights, weekends, and vacations than with the old stoker. It is too early to estimate heating costs, but it would seem that the No. 5 oil should be less than coal for a full year period.

In conclusion I wish to express to you my sincere thanks for your efforts in making the year a most successful one. The assistance and cooperation of Mr. Clough, the Principal, the teachers, school physician, school nurses, townspeople, parents, and pupils is also deeply appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

PERCY L. ROWE,

Superintendent of Schools.

| GRADE | | AGE AND GRADE CHART | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | October 1, 1950 | | |
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| | AGE | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | Totals | | Totals |
| | | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | Boys | Girls | | | | |
| I | 12 | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | | | 13 | | 15 | 28 | | |
| | 14 | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 18 | | 38 | | |
| II | 4 | 13 | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 20 | | | |
| | 8 | 11 | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 36 | | |
| III | | 5 | 16 | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | 3 | 10 | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| IV | | | 2 | 6 | | | | | | | | | | | 9 | | 18 | 27 | | |
| | | | 5 | 13 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| V | | | | 2 | 9 | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | | 14 | | 10 | 24 | | |
| | | | | 1 | 7 | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| VI | | | | | 1 | 7 | 4 | 1 | | | | | | | 13 | | 11 | 24 | | |
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| VII | | | | | | 3 | 4 | 4 | 13 | 1 | 2 | | | | 13 | | 20 | 33 | | |
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| VIII | | | | | | | | | 6 | 3 | 1 | | | | 9 | | 10 | 19 | | |
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REPORT OF HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL.

To Mr. Percy L. Rowe,
Superintendent of Schools:—

I herewith submit the annual report of Mendon High and Center School for the year ending December 31, 1950.

Eleven students received diplomas at graduation exercises held Wednesday, June 14, 1950 at the Mendon Unitarian Church. Members of Class of 1950: Nina L. Alger, Daniel N. Barnes, Jean A. Beal, Margaret C. Desmarais, John S. Hogarth, Edward J. Lamothe, Gloria M. Mantoni, Faye A. Pouliot, Janet M. Robinson, Annette O. Rondeau, Shirley M. Stimpson.

Janet M. Robinson attained highest scholastic honors and Jean A. Beal second highest for four high school years. The Mendon High School Alumni Medal, presented by the Alumni Association, was awarded to Annette O. Rondeau. Jean A. Beal was the winner of the Good Citizenship Medal and Certificate presented by the Daughters of the American Revolution. Five members of the class are continuing their education in post secondary educational institutions this year.

The twenty-third annual prize speaking contest was held March 31, 1950 in the Mendon Town Hall. Nine speakers presented selections. First prize was awarded to James Rogers, second prize to Fred R. Phipps, Jr., and third prize to Barbara M. Grant. A cast of sixteen pupils presented the

annual Senior Play, "Grandma's Best Years," on December 8, 1950 at the Mendon Town Hall. Earlier in the year the classes of the Junior and Senior High School cooperated in the presentation of a minstrel show for the benefit of the Washington Trip Fund.

Enrollment in school has shown a relatively small but definite increase which seems to be consistent with the gradual growth of the community. The enrollment figures as of December 22, 1950 are as follows: Grade I-29; Grade II-40; Grade IV-30; Grade V-22; Grade VI-24; Grade VII-33; Grade VIII-19; Grade IX-20; Grade X-21; Grade XI-14; Grade XII-9.

An evening session of all grades was held on Monday, November 6, 1950 in connection with the observance of American Education Week. A two hour schedule of classes was held to provide an opportunity for as many parents as possible to visit classrooms.

The school was presented a United Nations Flag by the Mendon Parent Teacher Association on October 24, 1950. Mrs. Herbert F. Bowen, President of the Association, made the presentation at a school assembly on the occasion of the country wide observance of United Nations Day. Barbara M. Grant, President of the Class of 1951, accepted the Flag for the school.

The school lunch continues to operate very successfully and is well patronized by pupils. The writer wishes to express appreciation and thanks of the School Lunch Committee, the Parent-Teacher Association, and the school for the faithful and generous contributions of time and labor which so many of the mothers and friends of the pupils have made in the preparation and serving of meals in the lunchroom. The assistance of additional workers each day has made pos-

sible the balancing of the school lunchroom budget each year that it has been in operation.

Once again within a period of ten years the pupils of our high schools face a world where the future seems to be uncertain and menacing. It is difficult to give the adequate advice and guidance to young people which normal world conditions would prompt. Yet the experience of our American way of life indicates just as clearly as ever that our boys and girls should take advantage of their present educational opportunities to the fullest extent that they should continue their educational training as far as possible beyond high school. The tremendous response of veterans of World War II to the educational aids provided by the federal government has demonstrated that American youth believes firmly in the benefits of education. Our pupils should take counsel from this fact and others to be found on all sides. There has never been discovered a more profitable way of spending the years of youth than in school training either vocational, professional, or cultural.

Parents are invited to confer with the teachers and principal whenever they have questions about school matters. In conclusion, I wish to express sincere appreciation in behalf of the teaching staff for the cooperation and assistance of the Superintendent of Schools, Mr. Rowe, the School Committee, the Parent-Teacher Association, and the townspeople.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY P. CLOUGH,

Principal.

MUSIC SUPERVISOR'S REPORT.

To the Superintendent of Schools:

My dear Mr. Rowe,

Music reading is the product of wide experience in reading new material over a span of years. Certain steps have had to be taken slowly at first and as separate operations. The eye must see the whole phrase at once, just as the eye encompasses the entire line of newsprint at one glance. This is the secret of all fast music reading. If a person is ever to read music quickly, his eye must measure the phrase group and not isolate the individual notes.

Of course the allotment of school time to music is limited, but the radio and other listening media provide excellent means through which to capture the musical interest of the boys and girls. We often discuss in class the previous evening's television and radio shows, and I am happy to hear about new records being added to the individual collections of good music for the phonograph.

Most of the youngsters can feel and interpret correctly many fundamental rhythm patterns found in our songs. These patterns range from the one beat tone to two tones to a beat; the dotted quarter followed by the eighth; six-eight meter; and the dotted eighth and sixteenth note patterns. They have been introduced to the simple melodic and rhythmic instruments most commonly employed in the symphony orchestra. We have tried to encourage any ten-

dency on the part of the child to study a musical instrument or take voice lessons.

In the chorus we try to develope a finer feeling for something cultural and less tangible. Here two great elements of music, melody and harmony, are put into practice. Thus our young people are developing a true feeling for tonality.

I wish to express my sincere thanks and appreciation to all connected with the Mendon school system for their splendid co-operation.

Respectfully submitted,
CHRISTINE M. WILSON,
Supervisor of Music Education.

SCHOOL NURSE'S ANNUAL REPORT

To Mr. Percy L. Rowe,
Superintendent of Schools,
Mendon, Massachusetts.

Dear Mr. Rowe:

May we submit to you the Annual School Nursing report for the year ending December, 1950.

Mendon school was visited Tuesday of each week, when school was in session.

Registration was held at Mendon school on May 19th, with the nurse assisting.

There was a question of two pupils having rheumatic fever, which the nurse investigated. One case of scarlet fever was reported and also visited by school nurse.

Colds, chicken pox and mumps were prevalent this year.

The State Department has notified us that they are reserving the audiometer for use in the Mendon Schools in April and the Massachusetts Vision Testing equipment in March.

We also learned that Mendon will receive service from Worcester County Sanatorium for x-ray of school personnel in the near future.

The nurse assisted Dr. Berry with physicals. The pupils in the first, fifth and ninth grades were examined during November and December.

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|---------------------------------------|----|
| Referred for dental evaluations | 16 |
| Conjunctivitis | 1 |
| Post-nasal drip | 1 |
| Enlarged tonsils | 1 |
| Posture | 1 |

Tox-oid clinics were held in Mendon schools March 28th, May 2nd and June 6th. Dr. Berry assisted by the nurses conducted the clinic.

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|------------------------|-----|
| Protective doses | 3 |
| Booster doses | 107 |

The following is a summary of the work done by the nurse in her visits to the school:

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|--|-----|
| 1. Inspection of pupils | 574 |
| 2. Pupils inspected for disease | 107 |
| 3. Pupils recommended for exclusion | 6 |
| 4. Pupils and nurse conferences | 154 |
| 5. Pupils treated for minor injuries | 41 |
| 6. Nurse and teacher conferences | 141 |
| 7. Home visits | 32 |

In closing, may we thank Dr. F. L. Berry, Mr. Rowe, the School Committee, the principal, and teachers of the Mendon School for their courtesy and co-operation.

Respectfully submitted,
 GRACE MORAN, R. N.,
 Supervisor of Nurses.

PRIZE SPEAKING CONTEST

MENDON TOWN HALL,

MARCH 31, 1950

PROGRAM

- Mother Takes Up Slang Vice
Paul Tadakowsky
- That We Might Be Saved Montgomery
Shirley M. Steere
- Freddie' Installment Plan Seeman
Wayne F. Wagner
- White Lilacs Black
Barbara M. Grant
- At The Swimming Pool Seeman
Bruce Arthur Thomas
- Those Pals of Ours Greaton-Cole
Junior High School Chorus
- A Little Dumber Donnell
Ruth M. Bosma
- Blind Faith Martin
Fred R. Phipps, Jr.
- The Death of Madame Defarge Dickens
Joanne Goodnow
- Johnnie Wears the Contest Dickerson
James Rogers
- Londonderry Air Niel
Dianne Channing
- Decision of Judges

GRADUATION EXERCISES
OF
MENDON HIGH SCHOOL

UNITARIAN CHURCH

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 14, 1950

Processional—March of the Priests Mendelssohn
Mrs. Bertha E. Rogers

Invocation
Rev. Richard Slater

Salutatory and Essay—Nursing
Jean A. Beal

Essay—The Army
John S. Hogarth

Essay—Journalism
Shirley M. Stimpson

Song—O Singing Land Sibelius
High School Chorus

Essay—Social Work
Faye A. Pouliot

Essay—Law
Gloria M. Mantoni

Essay—Merchandising

Daniel N. Barnes

Essay—Medicine

Annette O. Rondeau

Solo—The Lord' Prayer Malotte

Faye A. Pouliot

Essay—Secretarial Work

Nina L. Alger

Essay—Psychiatry

Margaret C. Desmarais

Essay—Coaching

Edward J. Lamothe

Song—Auf Wiedershen Romberg

High School Chorus

Essay and Valedictory—Teaching

Janet M. Robinson

Award and Diploma Presentation

Mr. Herbert F. Bowen

Chairman of School Committee

Star Spangled Banner

Benediction

Rev. Richard Slater

Recessional—Pomp and Circumstance Elga

Mrs. Bertha B. Rogers

GRADUATES OF MENDON HIGH SCHOOL
CLASS OF 1950

Nina L. Alger
Daniel N. Barnes
Jean A. Beal
Margaret C. Desmarais
John S. Hogarth
Edward J. Lamothe
Gloria M. Mantoni
Faye A. Pouliot
Janet M. Robinson
Annette O. Rondeau
Shirley M. Stimpson

TOWN WARRANT

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

Worcester, ss.

To the Constable of the Town of Mendon in the County of
Worcester, Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Mendon qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs to meet at the Town Hall in said Mendon on Monday, the fifth day of March A. D., 1951, punctually at 9 o'clock A. M., to act on the following articles, 1 and 2. Article 3 and all following Articles on this Warrant will be acted upon Friday, the ninth day of March at 7 P. M.

Article 1. To choose a moderator to preside over said meeting.

Article 2. To bring in their ballots for the following
Town Officers:

One Town Clerk for one year;
One Selectman for three years;
One Assessor for three years;
One Town Treasurer for one year;
One Constable for one year;
One Tree Warden for one year;
One Trustee of the Taft Public Library
for two years;
One Member of the School Committee
for three years;

One Park Commissioner for three years;
 One Highway Surveyor for one year;
 One Water Commissioner for three years;

all on one ballot designating the office intended for each person voted for.

Article 3. To hear the reports of the several Town Officers and Committees and act thereon.

Article 4. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

Article 5. To appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town expenses for the financial year beginning January 1, 1951.

Article 6. To determine the compensation of the Tax Collector for the ensuing year.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1951 and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year and to renew any note or notes as may be given for the period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44 of the General Laws.

Article 8. To see if the Town will appropriate any sum of money for the improvement and repairs of highways, to be expended under the direction of the Massachusetts Department of Public Works as provided under Chapter 81 of the General Laws as amended, or take any action in relation to the same.

Article 9. To see if the Town will appropriate any sum of money for the operation and repairs of Town machinery, a part or whole to be taken from the Road Machinery fund, or take any action in relation to the same.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate any sum of money for the maintenance of Chapter 90 Roads, said money to be used in conjunction with any money which may be allotted by the State and County for this purpose, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate any sum of money for Chapter 90 New Construction provided the State and County will contribute for such work under the provisions of Chapter 90 of the General Laws.

Article 12. To see what action the Town will take regarding any legal proceedings that may be brought against or by the Town.

Article 13. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to sell any or all real estate owned by the Town by reason of the foreclosure of Tax Title thereon and to execute, acknowledge and deliver a proper deed or deeds therefor, authority therefor to terminate March 3, 1952 or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the dog license refund received from the Worcester County in 1950 to be used for general school expenses in 1951, or take any action in relation to the same.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Assessors with the approval of the Commissioner of Corporations and Taxation to use such an amount of the free cash in the treasury as in their judgment should be used to reduce the tax levy of 1951, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$5,000 from available funds to the Stabilization Fund; as defined in Chapter 124, Acts of 1945 of the General Laws of Massachusetts, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purchase of eight (8) dining tables for the supper room in the Town Hall (same as tables now in use) or take any action in relation to same.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to place on the ballot at the next annual Town Meeting, the office of Moderator for the purpose of electing same for a period of one year thereafter and to set salary for same; or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$175.00 for the re-shingling of the Record Room, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$35.00 for repairs to the old Town library building, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for Civilian Defense, or take any action in relation to same.

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for new traffic signs, and for paint to mark the roadways, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise the hourly rate of the Highway Surveyor from \$1.25 per hour to \$1.40 per hour when worked, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose and to instruct the Board of Assessors to prepare and publish a valuation book covering valuations of all the real and personal estates in the Town or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1500. to be used for an extension of the East Mendon water system in order to furnish service to the eight houses now under construction and more which are to be built, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 26. To see what action, if any, the Town will take with respect to its rights and interests in the estate of Samuel B. Taft, late of Uxbridge, Massachusetts, whether as a legatee under his will, or of whatever character or nature they may be.

Article 27. To see if the Town will vote to have a street light installed in front of the High School building, and appropriate the sum of \$16.00 for the maintenance of same, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 28. To see if the Town will vote to accept Chapter 48, Sections 42 and 43 of the General Laws.

Article 29. To see if the Town will vote to have the Highway Surveyor appointed by the Board of Selectmen, instead of being elected by ballot as at the present time.

Article 30. To see what action, if any, the Town will take with respect to a legacy of one hundred (\$100.) dollars left to the Town of Mendon under the will of J. Stuart Cox, late of Bellingham, Mass. for the following purpose: "to expend the income annually for the care of my father's (John S. Cox) and Joseph Bates' lot and my lot in the Bicknell Cemetery, so-called, located in the Easterly part of Mendon, Massachusetts."

Polls will close at 8.00 P. M.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up an attested copy thereof at the Post Office in said Mendon and causing a copy to be published once in the Milford Daily News, a newspaper published in Milford, Mass., both said posting and publication to be at least seven days before the time of the meeting hereby ordered to be held.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk of said town before the time of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Mendon, this 12th day of February, A. D., 1951.

HAROLD J. FAIRBANKS,
HAROLD METCALF,
JOHN L. LUNDVALL,
Selectmen of Mendon.

A true copy, attest:

RAYMOND W. ROGERS,
Constable of Mendon.

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Article 5.

| | 1950 Appropriation | Transfers | 1950 Expenditures | 1951 Recommendation |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------|----------------------|------------------------|
| Moderator's Salary | \$10.00 | | \$10.00 | \$25.00 |
| Selectmen's Salaries | 550.00 | | 550.00 | 550.00 |
| Selectmen's Expense | 250.00 | | 248.19 | 150.00 |
| Treasurer's Salary | 550.00 | | 550.00 | 550.00 |
| Treasurer's Expense | 150.00 | | 142.67 | 170.00 |
| Town Accountant Salary | 400.00 | | 400.00 | 400.00 |
| Town Accountant Expense | 25.00 | 18.92 | 43.92 | 50.00 |
| Town Clerk's Salary | 200.00 | | 200.00 | 200.00 |
| Town Clerk's Expense | 500.00 | | 342.26 | 500.00 |
| Tax Collector's Expense | 200.00 | | 177.54 | 200.00 |
| Assessor's Salaries | 650.00 | | 650.00 | 650.00 |
| Assessor's Expense | 300.00 | | 253.72 | 300.00 |
| Elections and Registrations | 700.00 | 218.41 | 918.41 | 550.00 |
| Town Counsel Salary | 100.00 | | 100.00 | 100.00 |
| Town Counsel Expense | 75.00 | 9.50 | 84.50 | 75.00 |
| Clerical Hire for Town Officers | 300.00 | | 300.00 | 300.00 |
| Town Officers' Bonds | 145.50 | | 145.50 | 190.00 |
| Town Hall Maintenance | 700.00 | | 675.65 | 800.00 |

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|--------------------------------------|-----------|----------|----------|
| Record Room Maintenance | 350.00 | 344.41 | 350.00 |
| Heat and Lights—Town Buildings | 2,000.00 | 2,000.00 | 2,000.00 |
| Constable's Salary | 25.00 | 25.00 | 25.00 |
| Police Department | 1,500.00 | 765.37 | 1,500.00 |
| Fire Department | 1,500.00 | 1,498.57 | 1,650.00 |
| Forest Fire Department | 500.00 | 452.76 | 500.00 |
| Hydrant Rental | 500.00 | 500.00 | 500.00 |
| Dog Officer | 50.00 | 55.50 | 75.00 |
| Sealer of Weights and Measures | 45.00 | 45.00 | 50.00 |
| Board of Health | 1,900.00 | 982.84 | 2,500.00 |
| Tree Warden | 250.00 | 250.00 | 500.00 |
| Elm Beetle Suppression | 500.00 | 500.00 | 500.00 |
| Moth Suppression | 200.00 | 200.00 | 200.00 |
| Inspector of Animals | 150.00 | 150.00 | 150.00 |
| Inspector of Slaughtering | 25.00 | 25.00 | 25.00 |
| Worcester County Hospital | 1,403.85 | 1,403.85 | 3,483.58 |
| General Repairs | 1,500.00 | 1,488.12 | 1,500.00 |
| Snow Removal | 2,800.00 | 3,561.69 | 6,000.00 |
| Street Lighting | 684.00 | 684.00 | 684.00 |
| Public Welfare Salaries | 45.00 | 45.00 | 45.00 |
| Public Welfare Temporary Aid | 12,000.00 | 6,792.61 | 6,000.00 |

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|---|-----------|--------|-----------|-----------|
| Wire Inspector Salary | | 25.00 | 25.00 | 50.00 |
| Aid to Dependent Children | 3,000.00 | | 3,000.00 | 3,000.00 |
| Old Age Assistance | 18,000.00 | | 17,957.39 | 20,000.00 |
| Old Age Assistance Administration | 500.00 | | 500.00 | 500.00 |
| Veterans' Benefits | 500.00 |  | ..... | 500.00 |
| School Department | 48,963.31 | 378.89 | 49,341.76 | 57,964.79 |
| Taft Public Library | 625.00 | | 611.15 | 625.00 |
| Vocational Education | 1,500.00 | | 169.40 | 1,500.00 |
| Administration of Veterans' Benefits | 100.00 | | 100.00 | 100.00 |
| Water Department Maintenance | 700.00 | 900.00 | 566.10 | 500.00 |
| Soldier's and Sailor's Graves | 30.00 | | 30.00 | 30.00 |
| Park Department | 200.00 | | 147.75 | 200.00 |
| Memorial Day Celebration | 150.00 | 17.35 | 167.25 | 175.00 |
| Insurance on Town Buildings | 1,860.58 | | 1,860.58 | 1,815.00 |
| Town Reports | 492.57 | | 492.57 | ..... |
| Reserve Fund | 2,000.00 | | 1,967.73 | 2,000.00 |
| Maturing Debt | 4,000.00 | | 4,000.00 | 4,000.00 |
| Interest on Maturing Debt | 1,037.50 | | 1,026.25 | 923.75 |
| Interest on Temporary Loans | 100.00 | 11.46 | 111.46 | 200.00 |
| Tax Title Foreclosure | 50.00 |  | ..... | 50.00 |
| Wor. Co. Retirement Exp. Fund | 401.00 | | 401.00 | 640.20 |

1951 RECOMMENDATIONS.

| | | | | |
|------------|------------------------|----------|------------|--------------|
| Article 6 | 1 1/4 %, not to exceed | \$925.00 | Article 19 | \$175.00 |
| Article 7 | \$3,700.00 | | Article 20 | \$35.00 |
| Article 9 | \$2,000.00 | | Article 21 | \$1,000.00 |
| Article 10 | \$1,500.00 | | Article 22 | \$300.00 |
| Article 11 | \$2,000.00 | | Article 23 | \$1.40 |
| Article 14 | Approved | | Article 24 | Not Approved |
| Article 16 | \$5,000.00 | | Article 25 | \$1,500.00 |
| Article 17 | \$300.00 | | Article 27 | Not Approved |

Respectfully submitted,

LEE P. McFARLAND,
FRANKLIN GOODNOW,
ROY A. BARROWS,
Finance Committee.

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of the

TOWN OFFICERS

of the

TOWN OF MENDON

including the report of the

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

for the

MUNICIPAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1951

285th ANNUAL REPORT

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TOWN OF MENDON

Town of Mendon Incorporated May 15, 1667.

Population 1619, 1950 Census.

Registered Voters in 1951, 949.

Annual Election: First Monday in March.

Annual Meeting:

First Friday Evening after the first Monday in March.

County Commissioners:

| | |
|------------------------------------|---------|
| Francis E. Cassidy, Chairman | Webster |
| P. Eugene Casey | Milford |

Fourteenth Congressional District:

| | |
|---|-----------------|
| Congressman, Joseph William Martin, Jr. | |
| | North Attleboro |

Fourth Senatorial District:

| | |
|---------------------------------|---------|
| Senator, Joseph E. Gibney | Webster |
|---------------------------------|---------|

Ninth Worcester Representative District:

Representatives General Court:

| | |
|---------------------------|------------|
| Peter F. Fitzgerald | Blackstone |
| Charles Mullaly, Jr. | Millville |

Sheriff for Worcester County:

| | |
|--------------------------|-----------|
| William A. Bennett | Worcester |
|--------------------------|-----------|

TOWN OFFICERS

SELECTMEN

(Selectmen serve as Board of Public Welfare,
Board of Health and Fence Viewers)

John L. Lundvall

Harold Metcalf

Ernest P. Wood

TOWN CLERK

Albert S. Coleman

TOWN TREASURER

Silas H. Dudley

TAX COLLECTOR

Arthur P. Dalton

ASSESSORS

Donald B. Lowell

D. Kinsley Barnes

Charles F. Leonard, Clerk

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Herbert Bowen

Gordon R. Good

Richard F. Harding

TRUSTEES OF TAFT PUBLIC LIBRARY

Harold Metcalf

Percy Rowe

Nina M. Burr

Richard Harding

Henry P. Clough, Secretary

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

| | |
|-----------------|--------------------------|
| Asa Vear | Joseph W. McEwen |
| Fred L. Kempton | Albert S. Coleman, Clerk |

FINANCE COMMITTEE

| | | |
|---------------------|----------------|------------------|
| Franklin E. Goodnow | Roy A. Barrows | Lee P. McFarland |
|---------------------|----------------|------------------|

PARK COMMISSIONERS

| | | |
|----------------|-------------------|-------------|
| Norry J. Daige | George A. Johnson | Fred Phipps |
|----------------|-------------------|-------------|

| | |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Chief of Police | Harold C. Barrows |
| Constable | Harold C. Barrows |
| Tree Warden | William E. Nuttall |
| Town Solicitor | Shelley D. Vincent |
| Dog Officer | Raymond A. Miller |
| Wiring Inspector | Walter J. Channing |
| Sealer of Weights and Measures | Raymond A. Miller |
| Superintendent of Schools | Percy Rowe |
| Fire Chief and Forest Warden | Harold F. Lowell |
| Superintendent of Streets | William R. Bowen |
| Burial Agent | Norry J. Daige |

| | |
|---------------------------------|-----------------|
| Inspector of Slaughtering | Willard Seibert |
| Inspector of Animals | Roy Barrows |
| Town Accountant | Helen F. Irons |

WATER COMMISSIONERS

| | | |
|------------------|----------------|--------------|
| Franklin Goodnow | Everett Watson | Donato Leone |
|------------------|----------------|--------------|

SURVEYORS OF WOOD AND BARK

| | |
|----------------|-------------|
| Arthur V. Pond | Carl Wagner |
|----------------|-------------|

FIELD DRIVERS

| | | |
|-------------|-------------|--------------------|
| Alex Woleck | Edward Goss | W. Arthur Robinson |
|-------------|-------------|--------------------|

FINANCIAL REPORTS

MODERATOR—SALARY

| | |
|----------------------|---------|
| Appropriation | \$25 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Roy A. Barrows | \$25 00 |

SELECTMEN—SALARIES

| | |
|---------------------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$550 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Harold J. Fairbanks | \$ 41 67 |
| Harold Metcalf | 233 33 |
| John L. Lundvall | 150 00 |
| Ernest P. Wood | 125 00 |
| Total expended | \$550 00 |

SELECTMEN—EXPENSES

| | |
|----------------------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$150 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Postage | \$18 84 |
| Lock Box | 2 25 |
| Stationery and Supplies .. | 2 95 |
| Advertising licenses | 21 50 |
| Delivering Town Reports | 20 00 |
| Dues to State and | |
| County Associations | 21 00 |
| Expenses to State | |
| and County Meetings | 25 75 |
| Hobbs & Warren, Inc., | |
| forms | 8 21 |

| | | |
|-----------------------|-------|----------|
| Photos of Town Bounds | 15 00 | |
| Total expended | ————— | \$135 50 |
| Unexpended | | 14 50 |
| | ————— | \$150 00 |

TREASURER—SALARY

| | |
|-----------------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$550 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Silas H. Dudley | \$550 00 |

TREASURER—EXPENSES

| | |
|-----------------------------|----------------|
| Appropriation | \$170 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Postage | \$35 00 |
| Forms and Stationery | 23 91 |
| Dues to State Asso. | 2 00 |
| Check books | 19 36 |
| Certification of Notes..... | 8 00 |
| File | 41 87 |
| Preparing Schedule A | 15 00 |
| Miscellaneous supplies | 8 81 |
| Use of car | 5 00 |
| Total expended | ————— \$158 95 |
| Unexpended | 11 05 |
| | ————— \$170 00 |

TAX TITLE FORECLOSURE

| | |
|---------------------|---------|
| Appropriation | \$50 00 |
| Unexpended | \$50 00 |

TOWN ACCOUNTANT—SALARY

| | |
|----------------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$400 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Helen F. Irons | \$400 00 |

TOWN ACCOUNTANT—EXPENSE

| | | |
|-----------------------------|---------|----------|
| Appropriation | | \$ 50 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Comm. of Mass., forms | \$30 94 | |
| Unexpended | 19 06 | |
| | <hr/> | \$50 00 |

TOWN CLERK—SALARY

| | |
|-------------------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$200 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Albert S. Coleman | \$200 00 |

TOWN CLERK—EXPENSE

| | | |
|-------------------------------|---------|----------|
| Appropriation | | \$500 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Mass. Laws | \$ 2 00 | |
| Binding Records | 18 00 | |
| Printing and postage | 38 95 | |
| Recording Fees | 80 00 | |
| Advertising | 7 20 | |
| Cahill's News Agcy., supplies | 6 70 | |
| Palley Office Supply | 21 44 | |
| Dues and expenses to | | |
| Town Clerks' Meetings | 55 30 | |
| Swearing to Town Papers | 4 25 | |
| Miscellaneous supplies | 18 06 | |
| Total expended | <hr/> | \$251 90 |
| Unexpended | | 248 10 |
| | <hr/> | \$500 00 |

TAX COLLECTOR—SALARY

| | |
|-----------------------------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$925 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Arthur P. Dalton, Collector | \$925 00 |

TAX COLLECTOR—EXPENSE

| | | |
|-----------------------------|---------|----------|
| Appropriation | | \$200 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Stationery and printing | \$92 77 | |
| Postage | 48 00 | |
| Deputy Collector's Bond | 5 00 | |
| Dues to State Assn. | 2 00 | |
| Advertising | 18 00 | |
| Miscellaneous supplies | 12 50 | |
| Total expended | <hr/> | \$178 27 |
| Unexpended | | 21 73 |
| | <hr/> | \$200 00 |

ASSESSORS—SALARIES

| | | |
|---------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Appropriation | | \$650 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Charles F. Leonard, Clerk | \$250 00 | |
| D. Kinsley Barnes | 200 00 | |
| Donald B. Lowell | 200 00 | |
| Total expended | <hr/> | \$650 00 |

ASSESSORS—EXPENSES

| | | |
|-----------------------------|---------|----------|
| Appropriation | | \$300 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Engineering services | \$14 50 | |
| Deed Abstracts | 206 95 | |
| Hobbs & Warren, Inc., forms | 7 24 | |
| Dues to State | | |
| and County Assn. | 9 00 | |
| Expenses to State and | | |
| County meetings | 22 00 | |
| Postage | 5 00 | |
| Use of auto | 20 00 | |
| Total expended | <hr/> | \$284 69 |
| Unexpended | | 15 31 |
| | <hr/> | \$300 00 |

ELECTIONS AND REGISTRATIONS

| | | |
|-------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$550 00 | |
| Transferred from Reserve Fund | 45 51 | |
| Total | | \$595 51 |

Expended:

| | | |
|----------------------------|----------|----------|
| Pay rolls, Town Meeting | \$ 83 00 | |
| Pay rolls, Listing | 115 18 | |
| Printing and postage | 209 28 | |
| Advertising | 48 05 | |
| Registrars' Salaries | 100 00 | |
| H & C Cabinet Co. | 40 00 | |
| Total expended | | \$595 51 |

TOWN COUNSEL—SALARY

| | |
|---------------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$100 00 |
|---------------------|----------|

Expended:

| | |
|--------------------------|----------|
| Shelley D. Vincent | \$100 00 |
|--------------------------|----------|

TOWN COUNSEL—EXPENSE

| | | |
|-------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$ 75 00 | |
| Transferred from Reserve Fund | 170 75 | |
| Total | | \$245 75 |

Expended:

| | | |
|---|----------|----------|
| Shelley D. Vincent, con- ferences, etc. | \$ 75 00 | |
| Trial before Appellate Tax Brd. | 100 00 | |
| Settlement, Samuel Taft legacy | 50 00 | |
| Recording fees | 9 00 | |
| Charlescraft Press stationery | 11 75 | |
| Total expended | | \$245 75 |

CLERICAL HIRE FOR TOWN OFFICERS

| | | |
|----------------------|----------|----------|
| Appropriation | | \$300 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Helen F. Irons | \$294 30 | |
| Unexpended | 5 70 | |
| | <hr/> | \$300 00 |

TOWN OFFICERS' BONDS

| | | |
|----------------------|----------|----------|
| Appropriation | | \$190 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Karl A. Bright | \$177 25 | |
| Unexpended | 12 75 | |
| | <hr/> | \$190 00 |

TOWN HALL MAINTENANCE

| | | |
|-----------------------------|----------|----------|
| Appropriation | | \$800 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Frank Barsanti, plumbing | \$ 50 00 | |
| Raymond Dudley, | | |
| janitor service | 488 50 | |
| Janitor's supplies | 36 91 | |
| C. L. Goss, installation | | |
| of sink counters | 110 00 | |
| Bottled gas | 74 69 | |
| Emergency light, | | |
| supplies | 9 00 | |
| Fuller Regalia Co., flag .. | 22 36 | |
| Total expended | <hr/> | \$791 46 |
| Unexpended | | 8 54 |
| | <hr/> | \$800 00 |

TOWN HALL DINING TABLES

| | | |
|------------------------|----------|----------|
| Appropriation | | \$300 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| J. L. Hammett Co. | \$292.29 | |
| Unexpended | 7 71 | |
| | <hr/> | \$300 00 |

RECORD ROOM MAINTENANCE

| | | |
|--|----------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$350 00 | |
| Transferred from Reserve Fund | 34 60 | |
| Total | <hr/> | \$384 60 |
| Expended: | | |
| Carrie Marlow, janitor | \$ 50 00 | |
| Fuel | 144 56 | |
| Lights | 13 92 | |
| Telephone | 114 77 | |
| Repairing chair | 10 00 | |
| Cleaning and repairing typewriter | 11 00 | |
| Cleaning and repairing oil burner | 17 50 | |
| Glass desk top | 14 65 | |
| Miscellaneous supplies | 8 20 | |
| Total expended | <hr/> | \$384 60 |

RECORD ROOM SHINGLING

| | | |
|---------------------|----------|----------|
| Appropriation | | \$175 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| C. L. Goss | \$168 75 | |
| Unexpended | 6 25 | |
| | <hr/> | \$175 00 |

HEAT AND LIGHTS

TOWN HALL, FIRE STATION, AND HIGHWAY BARN

| | |
|---------------------|------------|
| Appropriation | \$2,000 00 |
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Expended:

| | |
|---------------------------|-----------|
| Worc. County Elec. Co. .. | \$ 197 40 |
|---------------------------|-----------|

| | |
|---------------------------|----------|
| H. J. Shaughnessy Oil Co. | 1,555 96 |
|---------------------------|----------|

| | |
|----------------------|--------|
| E. T. Powers, | |
| installing sump pump | 107 63 |

| | |
|-------------------------|--------|
| Frank Barsanti, repairs | |
| to oil burner | 100 00 |

| | |
|----------------------------|------|
| Lester Hill, repairs | 4 50 |
|----------------------------|------|

| | |
|---------------------------|------|
| Bill Power, repairs | 5 75 |
|---------------------------|------|

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|----------------------|------------|
| Total expended | \$1,971 24 |
|----------------------|------------|

| | |
|------------------|-------|
| Unexpended | 28 76 |
|------------------|-------|

| | |
|-------|------------|
| ————— | \$2,000 00 |
|-------|------------|

CONSTABLE—SALARY

| | |
|---------------------|---------|
| Appropriation | \$25 00 |
|---------------------|---------|

Expended:

| | |
|-------------------------|---------|
| Harold C. Barrows | \$25 00 |
|-------------------------|---------|

POLICE DEPARTMENT

| | |
|---------------------|------------|
| Appropriation | \$1,500 00 |
|---------------------|------------|

| | |
|-------------------------------------|--------|
| Transferred from Reserve Fund | 392 38 |
|-------------------------------------|--------|

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|-------------|------------|
| Total | \$1,892 38 |
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Expended:

| | |
|---------------------------|------------|
| Officers' pay rolls | \$1,658 70 |
|---------------------------|------------|

| | |
|------------------|-------|
| Toll calls | 17 43 |
|------------------|-------|

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|---------------|--------|
| Mileage | 181 45 |
|---------------|--------|

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|-----------------------|-------|
| Accident photos | 20 80 |
|-----------------------|-------|

| | |
|----------------|-------|
| Printing | 14 00 |
|----------------|-------|

| | |
|----------------------|------------|
| Total expended | \$1,892 38 |
|----------------------|------------|

FIRE DEPARTMENT

| | | |
|--------------------------------------|----------|------------|
| Appropriation | | \$1,650 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Pay rolls | \$442 00 | |
| Carrie Marlow, test blowing | 50 00 | |
| Repairs to apparatus | 63 60 | |
| Worc. County Elec. Co. | 35 25 | |
| Gasoline, oil, etc. | 84 42 | |
| Supplies for apparatus | 76 25 | |
| Harold Lowell, salary | 100 00 | |
| Maintenance of bldg. | 97 55 | |
| Corbett Concrete Pipe Co. | 12 00 | |
| Bellingham Lumber Co. | 490 00 | |
| Electrical repairs | 42 60 | |
| Telephone | 132 72 | |
| Miscellaneous supplies | 17 20 | |
| Total expended | <hr/> | \$1,643 59 |
| Unexpended | | 6 41 |
| | <hr/> | \$1,650 00 |

FOREST FIRE DEPARTMENT

| | | |
|--|----------|----------|
| Appropriation | | \$500 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Forest Warden | \$ 25 00 | |
| Farrar & Co., hose and extinguisher | 173 50 | |
| Pay rolls | 190 10 | |
| C. L. Goss, build- ing material | 111 40 | |
| Total expended | <hr/> | \$500 00 |

HYDRANT RENTAL

| | | |
|-----------------------------------|--|----------|
| Appropriation | | \$500 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Town of Mendon, 10 hydrants | | \$500 00 |

DOG OFFICER

| | | |
|-------------------------------------|---------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$75 00 | |
| Transferred from Reserve Fund | 36 00 | |
| Total | | \$111 00 |

Expended:

| | | |
|---|---------|----------|
| Raymond Miller, boarding and destroying dogs | \$96 00 | |
| Raymond Miller, salary | 10 00 | |
| Raymond Miller, use of car | 5 00 | |
| Total expended | | \$111 00 |

CIVILIAN DEFENSE

| | |
|---------------------|------------|
| Appropriation | \$1,000 00 |
|---------------------|------------|

Expended:

| | | |
|---|----------|------------|
| Farrar Co., siren | \$530 00 | |
| E. H. Coleman, swearing in defense workers | 25 00 | |
| Niro & Niro installa- tion of siren | 272 03 | |
| Use of films | 9 52 | |
| Telephone and postage .. | 4 32 | |
| First aid supplies | 23 49 | |
| Total expended | \$864 36 | |
| Balance on hand Dec. 31, 1951 | 135 64 | |
| | | \$1,000 00 |

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

| | |
|---------------------|---------|
| Appropriation | \$50 00 |
|---------------------|---------|

Expended:

| | |
|--|---------|
| Worcester Stamp Co., screw die | \$ 1 23 |
| Hobbs & Warren, seals and Record Book | 3 63 |

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|----------------------|-------|---------|
| Raymond A. Miller | | |
| salary | 40 00 | |
| Raymond A. Miller, | | |
| use of car | 5 00 | |
| Total expended | ————— | \$49 86 |
| Unexpended | | 14 |
| | ————— | \$50 00 |

WIRING INSPECTOR—SALARY

| | |
|----------------------------------|---------|
| Appropriation | \$50 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Walter J. Channing, salary | \$50 00 |

BOARD OF HEALTH

| | |
|-----------------------------|------------|
| Appropriation | \$2,500 00 |
| Expended: | |
| District Nursing Assn. | \$ 75 00 |
| Willard Seibert, meat | |
| inspection | 1 00 |
| A. Woleck, rent and labor | |
| on Town Dump | 346 75 |
| Soda Water permit | 10 00 |
| No. Reading State Sani- | |
| torium, board and | |
| treatment, one case | 390 00 |
| Worcester County Sani- | |
| torium, board and | |
| treatment, two cases | 540 00 |
| Cleaning Willow Brook | 17 00 |
| Pay roll for work | |
| on Town Dump | 15 50 |
| Henry Poirier, for work | |
| on Town Dump | 236 00 |
| Harold Metcalf, burial | |
| of dog | 2 00 |

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|---------------------------|-------|------------|
| John Lundvall, burial | | |
| of dog | 2 00 | |
| Advertising | 4 05 | |
| A. S. Ingham, signs | 15 00 | |
| M. M. Goodnow, repairs | | |
| to Town Pump | 32 65 | |
| Total expended | ————— | \$1,686 95 |
| Unexpended | | 813 05 |
| | ————— | \$2,500 00 |

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

| | |
|----------------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$150 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Roy A. Barrows | \$150 00 |

INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTERING

| | |
|-----------------------|---------|
| Appropriation | \$25 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Willard Seibert | \$25 00 |

TREE WARDEN

| | |
|------------------------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$500 00 |
| Expended: | |
| William Nuttall, salary | \$ 12 00 |
| William Nuttall, labor | 191 25 |
| Vernon Barrows | 8 00 |
| George Blanchard | 192 00 |
| Harold Metcalf | 46 00 |
| Mark Wagner | 30 00 |
| Theodore Brothers | 20 75 |
| Total expended | ————— |
| | \$500 00 |

ELM BEETLE SUPPRESSION

| | | |
|--|----------|----------|
| Appropriation | | \$500 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| P. A. Millis, spraying | \$481 00 | |
| William Nuttall, salary and labor | 19 00 | |
| Total expended | | \$500 00 |

MOTH SUPPRESSION

| | | |
|--|----------|----------|
| Appropriation | | \$200 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| William Nuttall, salary and labor | \$ 12 00 | |
| P. A. Millis, spraying | 188 00 | |
| Total expended | | \$200 00 |

WORCESTER COUNTY HOSPITAL

| | | |
|----------------------------------|--|------------|
| Appropriation | | \$3,483 58 |
| Expended: | | |
| Worcester County Treasurer | | \$3,483 58 |

CHAPTER 90 CONSTRUCTION

| | | |
|--------------------------|------------|------------|
| Town Appropriation | \$2,000 00 | |
| County Allotment | 2,000 00 | |
| State Allotment | 4,000 00 | |
| Total | | \$8,000 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Labor | \$1,669 55 | |
| Town Equipment: | 982 40 | |
| Hired Equipment: | | |
| Grader | 481 00 | |
| Trucks | 333 60 | |

| | |
|------------------|--------|
| Roller | 192 00 |
| Shovel | 912 00 |
| Compressor | 116 00 |
| Bulldozer | 48 00 |

Material:

| | |
|------------------------------------|----------|
| Rosenfeld Sand & Stone Co. | 167 45 |
| H. Poirier, gravel | 2,599 20 |
| Clark-Shaughnessy Co. | 8 30 |
| N. E. Metal Culvert Co. | 394 21 |
| Roland Temple | 24 50 |
| H. A. Daniels, Insurance | 70 96 |

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| Total Expended | \$7,999 17 | |
| Unexpended | . 83 | |
| | <hr/> | \$8,000 00 |

CHAPTER 81

| | |
|--------------------------|-------------------|
| Town Appropriation | \$ 3,700 00 |
| State Allotment | 10,175 00 |
| Total | <hr/> \$13,875 00 |

Expended:

| | |
|---------------------------------------|------------|
| Labor | \$4,814 83 |
| Town Equipment | 1,823 55 |
| Hired Equipment | 841 40 |
| H. A. Daniels, Insurance | 197 59 |
| Rosenfeld Sand & Stone Co. | 1,268 68 |
| Trimount Bituminous Products | 2,278 69 |
| Barrett Co. | 525 66 |
| N. E. Metal Culvert Co. | 410 16 |
| Attilio Ferritti, blocks | 33 00 |
| Corbett Concrete Pipe Co. | 61 68 |
| H. Poirier, gravel | 1,533 85 |

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|----------------------------|-------|-------------------|
| Roland Temple | 9 28 | |
| Comm. of Mass., signs | 62 50 | |
| Medway Cement | | |
| Block Co. | 11 70 | |
| Curtiss Coal Co., supplies | 2 40 | |
| Total expended | | \$13,874 97 |
| Unexpended | | 03 |
| | | <hr/> \$13,875 00 |

SNOW REMOVAL

| | |
|-------------------------------------|------------------|
| Appropriation | \$6,000 00 |
| Transferred from Reserve Fund | 884 77 |
| Total | <hr/> \$6,884 77 |

Expended:

| | | |
|----------------------------|------------|------------------|
| Labor | \$1,937 03 | |
| Hired Equipment | 1,797 25 | |
| Town Equipment | 738 00 | |
| Rosenfeld Sand & | | |
| Stone Co. | 1,036 14 | |
| The Chemical Corp., salt | 901 08 | |
| Dyer Sales & Mach. Co. | 290 00 | |
| Express charges | 77 | |
| E. F. Edson Co., Inc. | 43 50 | |
| Files & O'Keefe Co. | 21 00 | |
| Ross Bros., salt | 120 00 | |
| Total expended | | <hr/> \$6,884 77 |

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

GENERAL REPAIRS

| | |
|----------------------|------------|
| Appropriation | \$1,500 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Labor | \$779 95 |
| Town Equipment | 8 00 |

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|-----------------------------|-----|----|------------------|
| Files & O'Keefe, supplies | 29 | 40 | |
| Henry Poirier, welding | 57 | 89 | |
| C. L. Goss, labor | 15 | 69 | |
| W. G. Fiske Lumber Co. | 12 | 96 | |
| Corbett Concrete Pipe Co. | 53 | 97 | |
| State Prison, signs | 20 | 50 | |
| C. C. Shattuck, | | | |
| paint supplies | 46 | 75 | |
| Leonard Jaques & Sons, | | | |
| supplies | 83 | 19 | |
| Wagner Bros., lumber | 12 | 60 | |
| Worcester Co. Assn., dues | 2 | 00 | |
| Express | 5 | 16 | |
| Rosenfeld Sand & | | | |
| Stone Co. | 44 | 55 | |
| Curtis Coal Co., supplies | 18 | 82 | |
| Telephone | 124 | 02 | |
| Insurance | 68 | 28 | |
| Clark-Shaughnessy, oil... | 15 | 05 | |
| Milford Daily News, | | | |
| advertising | 3 | 00 | |
| United Door Co., repairs | 8 | 00 | |
| Julia Swan, land damage | 25 | 00 | |
| Anna Ingham, signs | 20 | 00 | |
| Frederick Lemieux, | | | |
| painting | 10 | 16 | |
| Medical care | 23 | 50 | |
| Total expended | | | \$1,488 44 |
| Unexpended | | | 11 56 |
| | | | <hr/> \$1,500 00 |

CHAPTER 90 MAINTENANCE

| | |
|--------------------------|------------------|
| Town Appropriation | \$1,500 00 |
| State Allotment | 1,500 00 |
| County Allotment | 1,500 00 |
| Total | <hr/> \$4,500 00 |

Expended:

| | | |
|-----------------------|------------|------------|
| Labor | \$1,343 63 | |
| Town Equipment | 418 00 | |
| Hired Equipment | 601 75 | |
| Materials: | | |
| Trimount Bituminous | | |
| Products | 1,802 05 | |
| Rosenfeld Sand & | | |
| Stone Co. | 287 03 | |
| H. A. Daniels Insur- | | |
| ance Co. | 47 45 | |
| Total expended | ————— | \$4,499 91 |
| Unexpended | | 09 |
| | ————— | \$4,500 00 |

ROAD MACHINERY ACCOUNT

Appropriation from Road Machinery Fund \$2,000 00

Expended:

| | |
|-----------------------------|---------|
| Arthur Warren, gasoline.... | \$ 9 76 |
| O'Grady's Filling Station, | |
| supplies | 83 80 |
| Karl Bright, insurance.... | 135 73 |
| E. O. Rose & Sons | 5 55 |
| Lyman Hazard, sander.... | 150 00 |
| Ruhan, signs | 15 00 |
| Desmarais Body Works, | |
| repairs | 12 00 |
| Mendon Gulf Station, | |
| supplies | 782 97 |
| Lakeside Garage, repairs | 410 18 |
| Henley-Kimball Co. | 25 12 |
| Scott White Truck Inc. | 21 79 |
| Dyer Sales & Mach. Co. | 27 50 |
| Truck registration | 4 00 |
| H. A. Daniels Insurance | 89 41 |

| | | |
|-----------------------------|-------|------------|
| A. S. Antolini, inspections | 2 00 | |
| Interest on truck note | 37 50 | |
| Labor | 42 80 | |
| Anchor Steel Co. | 56 21 | |
| E. F. Edson Co., Inc. | 45 96 | |
| Total expended | ————— | \$1,957 28 |
| Unexpended | 42 72 | |
| | ————— | \$2,000 00 |

ROAD MACHINERY FUND

| | | |
|---------------------------------------|------------|-----------|
| Balance January 1, 1951 | \$2,943 42 | |
| Transferred to Road Machinery Account | 2,000 00 | |
| Balance | ————— | \$ 943 42 |

Paid to Town Treasurer:

| | | |
|--|------------|------------|
| Chapter 81, use of | | |
| Town equipment | \$1,823 55 | |
| Chapter 90 Construction | 982 40 | |
| Chapter 90 Maintenance | 418 00 | |
| General Repairs | 8 00 | |
| Snow Removal | 738 00 | |
| Miscellaneous revenue.... | 478 15 | |
| Total receipts | ————— | \$4,448 10 |
| Unexpended balance in Road Mach. Acct. | 42 72 | |
| | ————— | \$4,490 82 |
| | | ————— |
| Balance December 31, 1951 | | \$5,434 24 |

TRAFFIC SIGNS AND ROAD MARKING

| | |
|---------------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$300 00 |
|---------------------|----------|

Expended:

| | | |
|-----------------------------|----------|----------|
| Frederick Lemieux, road | | |
| marking | \$170 62 | |
| Files & O'Keefe, signs | 128 23 | |
| Seaver's Express | 1 15 | |
| Total expended | ————— | \$300 00 |

STREET LIGHTING

| | | |
|---------------------------|----------|----------------|
| Appropriation | | \$700 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Worc. County Elec. Co. .. | \$684 00 | |
| Unexpended | 16 00 | |
| | | ————— \$700 00 |

BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE—SALARIES

| | | |
|------------------------|---------|---------|
| Appropriation | | \$45 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Harold Metcalf | \$15 00 | |
| John Lundvall | 15 00 | |
| Ernest P. Wood | 12 50 | |
| Harold Fairbanks | 2 50 | |
| Total expended | ————— | \$45 00 |

PUBLIC WELFARE—TEMPORARY AID

| | | |
|--------------------------|----------|------------|
| Appropriation | | \$6,000 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| (Mendon Settlement) | | |
| One family in own home | \$368 26 | |
| One family in own home | 188 80 | |
| One family in own home | 40 00 | |
| One person in own home | 149 98 | |
| One person in own home | 255 14 | |
| One person in own home | 473 50 | |
| One person in own home | 529 36 | |
| One person in private | | |
| home | 11 88 | |
| One family in other town | 330 81 | |
| | ————— | \$2,347 73 |

(Settlement in other Towns)

| | | |
|------------------------|----------|--------|
| One person in own home | \$831 96 | |
| One family in own home | 145 28 | |
| | <hr/> | 977 24 |

(Unsettled Cases, Chargeable to State)

| | | |
|--------------------------|------------|------------|
| One family in own home | \$1,237 62 | |
| One family in own home | 1,367 87 | |
| | <hr/> | 2,605 49 |
| Expended for Disability | | |
| Assistance | | 56 40 |
| United Community | | |
| Services | | 10 00 |
| | <hr/> | |
| Total expenditures | \$5,996 86 | |
| Unexpended | 3 14 | |
| | <hr/> | \$6,000 00 |

Proportionate share of above expenses:

| | | |
|-----------------------------|------------|------------|
| State of Massachusetts | \$2,605 49 | |
| Town of Milford | 977 24 | |
| State & Federal on | | |
| Disability Aid | 42 30 | |
| Town of Mendon | 2,371 83 | |
| | <hr/> | \$5,996 86 |

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

| | | |
|-----------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Town Appropriation | \$3,000 00 | |
| Received from Federal Government: | | |
| (Direct Aid) | 1,901 07 | |
| (Administration) | 21 60 | |
| Total | <hr/> | \$4,922 67 |
| Expended: | | |
| For Direct Aid | \$3,322 01 | |
| Unexpended | 1,600 66 | |
| | <hr/> | \$4,922 67 |

Summary:

| | | |
|----------------------------|------------|------------|
| Federal Govt. Share | \$1,780 67 | |
| State of Mass. Share | 1,079 01 | |
| Town of Mendon's Share.... | 462 33 | |
| Total | | \$3,322 01 |

Amounts due Town:

| | | |
|------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Federal Government | \$249 02 | |
| State of Massachusetts | 162 82 | |
| | | \$411 84 |

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

| | | |
|-----------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Town Appropriation | \$20,000 00 | |
| Received from Federal Govt. | 23,836 58 | |
| Total | | \$43,836 58 |

Expended:

| | | |
|----------------------|-------------|-------------|
| For Direct Aid | \$30,687 94 | |
| Unexpended | 13,148 64 | |
| | | \$43,836 58 |

Summary:

| | | |
|----------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Federal Govt. Share | \$13,981 80 | |
| State of Mass. Share | 11,426 10 | |
| Due from other Towns | 914 10 | |
| Town of Mendon's Share.... | 4,365 94 | |
| | | \$30,687 94 |

Amounts due the Town:

| | | |
|------------------------------|----------|------------|
| Federal Government | \$ 20 68 | |
| State of Massachusetts | 1,955 35 | |
| Town of Milford | 635 29 | |
| Town of Upton | 177 52 | |
| Town of Westboro | 62 67 | |
| Total | | \$2,851 51 |

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE—ADMINISTRATION

| | | |
|--------------------------|----------|----------|
| Town Appropriation | \$500 00 | |
| Federal Government | 356 05 | |
| Total | | \$856 05 |

Expended:

| | | |
|-------------------------|----------|----------|
| Helen F. Irons, Welfare | | |
| Worker, Salary | \$500 00 | |
| Postage.... .. | 29 00 | |
| Traveling expense | 25 17 | |
| Hobbs & Warren Inc., | | |
| forms | 2 30 | |
| Total expended | \$556 47 | |
| Unexpended | 299 58 | |
| | | \$856 05 |

VETERANS' BENEFITS

| | |
|---------------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$500 00 |
|---------------------|----------|

Expended:

| | | |
|---------------------------|----------|----------|
| Aid rendered one family | \$ 26 00 | |
| Aid rendered one person.. | 205 45 | |
| Total expended | \$231 45 | |
| Unexpended | 268 55 | |
| | | \$500 00 |

ADMINISTRATION OF VETERANS' BENEFITS

| | |
|---------------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$100 00 |
|---------------------|----------|

Expended:

| | | |
|---------------------------|---------|----------|
| Harold J. Fairbanks | \$ 8 33 | |
| Harold Metcalf | 50 00 | |
| Ernest P. Wood | 41 67 | |
| Total expended | | \$100 00 |

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

| | |
|----------------------|--------------------|
| Appropriation | \$57,964 79 |
| Dog Tax Refund | 430 21 |
| Total | <u>\$58,395 00</u> |
| Expended | \$58,389 19 |
| Unexpended | 5 81 |
| | <u>\$58,395 00</u> |

(For detail of expenditures see School Report)

VOCATIONAL EDUCATION

| | | |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------|
| Appropriation | | \$ 1500 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| City of Worcester | \$342 88 | |
| Transportation | 164 45 | |
| Cascade Paper Co., supplies | 72 50 | |
| | <u> </u> | |
| Total expended | <u> </u> | \$579 83 |
| Unexpended | | 920 17 |
| | | <u>\$1,500 00</u> |

SPECIAL SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM

| | |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Balance on hand January 1, 1951 | \$468 90 |
| Revenue from meals | 5,254 42 |
| State Reimbursement | 1,864 96 |
| Total | <u>\$7,588 28</u> |
| Expended: | |
| Pay rolls | \$1,877 00 |
| Food supplies | 4,820 98 |
| Equipment | 23 66 |
| Seaver's Express | 35 47 |
| Globe Ticket Co. | 18 40 |

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|---------------------------|-----|-----|------------------|
| Dr. John Cicchetti | 20 | 00 | |
| Edna Brown, expenses | 13 | 00 | |
| Repairs | 11 | 60 | |
| Commodities from State | 103 | 80 | |
| Suburban Propane | | | |
| Gas Co. | 145 | 51 | |
| Nancy Dudley, laundry .. | 30 | 00 | |
| Miscellaneous expenses .. | 9 | 55 | |
| Total expended | | | \$7,108 97 |
| Unexpended | | 479 | 31 |
| | | | <hr/> \$7,588 28 |

TAFT PUBLIC LIBRARY

| | | | |
|---------------------------|-------|----|----------------|
| Appropriation | | | \$625 00 |
| Expended: | | | |
| Personal Book Shop | \$116 | 62 | |
| Daniel N. Barnes, | | | |
| magazine subscriptions | 48 | 87 | |
| H. W. Wilson Co. | 11 | 80 | |
| American Library Assn. .. | 5 | 00 | |
| Worcester County | | | |
| Elec. Co. | 13 | 24 | |
| Gaylord Brothers, Inc., | | | |
| supplies | 10 | 68 | |
| C. C. Shattuck, | | | |
| supplies | 1 | 93 | |
| C. L. Goss, construction | | | |
| book shelves | 45 | 26 | |
| Barney Coal Co. | 46 | 60 | |
| Vestella M. Daniels, | | | |
| Librarian | 225 | 00 | |
| Raymond C. Dudley, | | | |
| Janitor | 100 | 00 | |
| Total expended | | | <hr/> \$625 00 |

Expenditures from Fletcher Library Fund:

| | |
|--------------------------|---------|
| Personal Book Shop | \$92 39 |
|--------------------------|---------|

Expenditures from Samuel B. Taft Library Fund:

| | |
|--|----------|
| Hillside Nursery, tree, shrubs, landscaping | \$150 00 |
|--|----------|

OLD LIBRARY REPAIRS

| | |
|---------------------|---------|
| Appropriation | \$35 00 |
|---------------------|---------|

Expended:

| | |
|---------------------------|---------|
| C. L. Goss, repairs | \$35 00 |
|---------------------------|---------|

PARK DEPARTMENT

| | |
|---------------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$200 00 |
|---------------------|----------|

Expended:

| | |
|--------------------|--|
| George A. Johnson, | |
|--------------------|--|

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|-------------|----------|
| labor | \$120 00 |
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|-----------------------------|------|
| Austin Taft, Jr. labor | 3 00 |
|-----------------------------|------|

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|------------------------|--|
| Leonard Jaques & Sons, | |
|------------------------|--|

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|----------------|------|
| supplies | 2 70 |
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|----------------------------|-------|
| Chester O. Avery, labor .. | 40 00 |
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|---------------------------|-------|
| Clayton Parkinson, plants | 13 60 |
|---------------------------|-------|

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|----------------------|----------|
| Total expended | \$179 30 |
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|------------------|-------|
| Unexpended | 20 70 |
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|--|----------|
| | \$200 00 |
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WATER DEPARTMENT MAINTENANCE

| | |
|---------------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$500 00 |
|---------------------|----------|

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|-------------------------------------|--------|
| Transferred from Reserve Fund | 125 76 |
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|-------------|----------|
| Total | \$625 76 |
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Expended:

| | |
|--------------------------|---------|
| Central Supply Co., pipe | \$45 98 |
|--------------------------|---------|

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|---------------------|--|
| Town of Bellingham, | |
|---------------------|--|

| | |
|-------------|--------|
| water | 205 92 |
|-------------|--------|

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|------------------------------------|--------|----------|
| Lloyd Nelson, water services | 349 57 | |
| George Allen, meter reading | 10 00 | |
| Printing and postage | 14 29 | |
| Total expended | | \$625 76 |

WATER EXTENSION—EAST MENDON

| | | |
|---|----------|-------------|
| Appropriation | | \$ 1,500 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Lloyd Nelson, hydrant, water services and labor | \$733 33 | |
| Johns-Manville, pipe | 278 17 | |
| Norman Rogers, truck | 12 00 | |
| Varney Bros, Co., excavation and backfill | 476 50 | |
| Total expended | | \$1,500 00 |

SOLDIERS' AND SAILORS' GRAVES

| | | |
|--------------------------------------|--|---------|
| Appropriation | | \$30 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Swan Dale Cemetery Association | | \$30 00 |

WORCESTER COUNTY RETIREMENT SYSTEM— EXPENSE FUND

| | | |
|----------------------------------|--|----------|
| Appropriation | | \$640 20 |
| Expended: | | |
| Worcester County Treasurer | | \$640 20 |

MEMORIAL DAY CELEBRATION

| | | |
|-------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$175 00 | |
| Transferred from Reserve Fund | 51 61 | |
| Total | | \$226 61 |

Expended:

| | | |
|--------------------------------|---------|----------|
| Sons of Union Veterans, | | |
| flags | \$ 6 00 | |
| Band | 125 00 | |
| Wreaths and flowers | 17 50 | |
| C. C. Shattuck, supplies | 21 78 | |
| Roger L. Wood Post, | | |
| A. L., ammunition | 56 33 | |
| Total expended | | \$226 61 |

INSURANCE ON TOWN BUILDINGS

| | | |
|-------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Appropriation | | \$1,815 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Donald B. Lowell, Agent | \$1,804 20 | |
| Unexpended | 10 80 | |
| | | \$1,815 00 |

ANNUITY FUND

| | |
|--------------------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$500 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Dorothy S. Mantoni | \$500 00 |

TOWN REPORTS

| | |
|---------------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$510 00 |
|---------------------|----------|

Expended:

| | | |
|--------------------------|----------|----------|
| Charlescraft Press | \$450 00 | |
| Unexpended | 60 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$510 00 |

RESERVE FUND

| | |
|---------------------|------------|
| Appropriation | \$2,000 00 |
|---------------------|------------|

Transfers:

| | | |
|--|--------|------------|
| To Elections and Registrations | 45 51 | |
| To Water Department Maintenance | 125 76 | |
| To Record Room Maintenance | 34 60 | |
| To Town Counsel's Exp. | 170 75 | |
| To Memorial Day Account | 51 61 | |
| To Snow Removal | 884 77 | |
| To Police Department | 392 38 | |
| To Dog Officer Account | 36 00 | |
| Total Transfers | <hr/> | \$1,741 38 |
| Balance | 258 62 | |
| | <hr/> | \$2,000 00 |

MATURING DEBT

| | |
|---------------------|------------|
| Appropriation | \$4,000.00 |
|---------------------|------------|

Expended:

| | | |
|-------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| School House Addition Loan | \$1,000 00 | |
| Fire Station Loan | 2,000 00 | |
| Water Construction Loan | 1,000 00 | |
| Total expended | | \$4,000 00 |

INTEREST ON MATURING DEBT

| | | |
|---------------------------|----------|----------|
| Appropriation | | \$923 75 |
| Expended: | | |
| On Fire Station Loan | \$350 00 | |
| On Water Construction | | |
| Loan | 416 25 | |
| On School House Loan .. | 157 50 | |
| Total expended | _____ | \$923 75 |

INTEREST ON TEMPORARY LOANS

| | | |
|--------------------------|----------|----------|
| Appropriation | | \$200 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| On loans in anticipation | | |
| of revenue | \$125 00 | |
| Unexpended | 75 00 | |
| | _____ | \$200 00 |

REPORT OF TOWN ACCOUNTANT

DETAIL OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

FOR 1951

| | |
|------------------------------------|-------------|
| Cash on hand January 1, 1951 | \$23,161 23 |
|------------------------------------|-------------|

RECEIPTS:

1951 Taxes:

| | |
|-------------------------------|-----------|
| Poll Taxes | \$ 940 00 |
| Personal Property Taxes | 6,903 00 |
| Real Estate Taxes | 72,368 07 |
| Excise Taxes | 12,103 77 |

Previous Year's Taxes:

| | |
|---|-----------|
| Personal Property Taxes | 704 53 |
| Real Estate Taxes | 8,375 16 |
| Excise Taxes | 1,077 16 |
| Tax Titles Redeemed | 74 80 |
| Recording Tax Titles | 1 00 |
| State Corporation Tax | 6,788 01 |
| State Income Tax | 5,402 32 |
| State Meal Tax | 437 69 |
| Public Service Franchise Tax | 3 40 |
| Withholding Taxes | 4,856 02 |
| Contributory Retirement Deductions .. | 854 84 |
| Licenses and Permits | 1,036 60 |
| Federal Grant, Old Age Assistance | 15,941 31 |
| Federal Grant, Old Age Assist. Adm. .. | 238 84 |
| Federal Grant, Aid to Dependent Chil. | 1,578 88 |
| Federal Grant, Aid to Dependent | |
| Children Administration | 16 50 |
| State, Inspector of Animals | 75 00 |

| | |
|---|-----------|
| State, School Aid Chapter 70 | 10,118 46 |
| State, Division of Tuberculosis | 264 29 |
| State, Highways, Chapter 81, 1950 | 3,207 00 |
| State, Highways, Chapter 81, 1951 | 10,175 00 |
| State School Transportation | 7,035 11 |
| State Supt. of Schools | 1,498 24 |
| State, Highways, Chapter 90 | |
| Maintenance 1950 | 1,499 96 |
| State, Highways, Chapter 90 | |
| Maintenance 1951 | 1,499 97 |
| County, Highways, Chapter 90 | |
| Maintenance, 1951 | 1,499 97 |
| State, Highways, Chapter 90 Const. | 3,999 59 |
| County, Highways, Chapter 90 Const. .. | 1,999 79 |
| Town of Mendon, Road Machinery | 4,448 10 |
| Home Nat'l Bank, Truck Loan | 3,000 00 |
| Court Fines and Forfeitures | 13 77 |
| Town Hall Rentals | 493 25 |
| Meat Inspection Fees | 1 00 |
| Sealer of Weights and Measures | 19 75 |
| Reimbursement of Dog Officer Fees | 41 50 |
| Wire Inspections | 20 00 |
| State, Temporary Aid | 2,321 53 |
| State, Sick Poor | 40 00 |
| State, Aid to Dependent Children | 1,102 10 |
| State, Old Age Assistance | 11,014 67 |
| Town of Upton O.A.A. | 167 68 |
| Town of Westboro O.A.A. | 61 60 |
| Town of Hopedale O.A.A. | 61 08 |
| Town of Milford O.A.A. | 271 58 |
| Town of Milford, Temporary Aid | 130 36 |
| State, Vocational Education | 72 14 |
| Special School Lunch Program | 7,119 38 |
| School Athletics | 79 72 |
| School Equipment sold | 30 00 |
| Library Fines | 15 60 |
| Algonquin Gas Co., land damage | 250 00 |

| | | |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------|----|
| Water Department Revenue | 1,483 | 77 |
| Uncashed checks | 49 | 38 |
| Samuel B. Taft, Library Fund | 226 | 00 |
| Interest on Deferred Taxes | 398 | 84 |
| Interest, Thayer Cemetery Fund | 5 | 00 |
| Transfers from Trust Funds | 92 | 39 |
| Revenue Loans | 15,000 | 00 |
| Town Clerk, Dog License Fees | 627 | 80 |
| Refunds, O.A.A. | 30 | 00 |
| Refund, Collector's Salary | 24 | 20 |
| Refund, Veteran's Benefits | 20 | 00 |
| Refunds, N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co. | 14 | 36 |
| Total Receipts for 1951 | <hr/> \$231,320 83 | |
| | <hr/> \$254,482 06 | |

Expenditures:

| | | |
|--------------------------------------|------|----|
| Moderator's Salary | \$25 | 00 |
| Selectmen's Salaries | 550 | 00 |
| Selectmen's Expense | 135 | 50 |
| Treasurer's Salary | 550 | 00 |
| Treasurer's Expense | 158 | 95 |
| Town Clerk's Salary | 200 | 00 |
| Town Clerk's Expense | 251 | 90 |
| Collector's Salary | 956 | 43 |
| Collector's Expense | 178 | 27 |
| Assessors' Salaries | 650 | 00 |
| Assessors' Expense | 284 | 69 |
| Town Officers' Bonds | 177 | 25 |
| Town Accountant's Salary | 400 | 00 |
| Town Accountant's Expense | 30 | 94 |
| Clerical Hire for Town Officers..... | 294 | 30 |
| Elections and Registrations | 595 | 51 |
| Town Counsel's Salary | 100 | 00 |
| Town Counsel's Expense | 245 | 75 |
| Record Room Maintenance | 384 | 60 |
| Record Room Shingling | 168 | 75 |
| Civilian Defense | 864 | 36 |

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|--|-----------|
| Constable's Salary | 25 00 |
| Heat and Lights, Town Buildings | 1,971 24 |
| Town Hall Maintenance | 791 46 |
| Town Hall Dining Tables | 292 29 |
| Police Department | 1,892 38 |
| Dog Officer | 111 00 |
| Sealer of Weights and Measures | 49 86 |
| Wiring Inspector's Salary | 50 00 |
| Inspector of Animals | 150 00 |
| Inspector of Slaughtering | 25 00 |
| Fire Department | 1,643 59 |
| Forest Fire Department | 500 00 |
| Hydrant Rental | 500 00 |
| Board of Health | 1,686 95 |
| Worcester County Hospital | 3,483 58 |
| Highways, General Repairs | 1,488 44 |
| Highways, Snow Removal | 6,884 77 |
| Highways, Chapter 81 | 13,874 97 |
| Highways, Chapter 90 Maintenance | 4,499 91 |
| Highways, Chapter 90 Construction | 7,999 17 |
| Highway Machinery Maintenance | 1,957 28 |
| New Highway Truck and Plows | 6,275 00 |
| Street Lighting | 684 00 |
| Public Welfare, Salaries | 45 00 |
| Public Welfare, Temporary Aid | 5,996 86 |
| Veterans' Benefits | 251 45 |
| Veterans' Benefits, Administration | 100 00 |
| Aid to Dependent Children | 3,322 01 |
| Old Age Assistance | 30,717 94 |
| Old Age Assistance, Administration | 556 47 |
| Traffic Signs and Road Marking | 300 00 |
| School Department | 58,389 19 |
| Special School Lunch Program | 7,108 97 |
| Tuition for Vocational Schools | 579 83 |
| School Athletic Fund | 79 72 |
| Taft Public Library | 625 00 |
| Old Library Repairs | 35 00 |

| | | |
|---|-----------|--------------|
| Samuel B. Taft Library Fund | 150 00 | |
| Austin Fletcher Library Fund | 92 39 | |
| Revenue Loan | 15,000 00 | |
| Cemetery Funds | 200 00 | |
| Tree Warden | 500 00 | |
| Moth Suppression | 200 00 | |
| Elm Beetle Suppression | 500 00 | |
| Park Department | 179 30 | |
| Memorial Day | 226 61 | |
| Insurance on Town Buildings | 1,804 20 | |
| Federal Withholding Taxes | 4,850 36 | |
| Worcester County Retirement System .. | 853 27 | |
| Retirement System, Expense Fund | 640 20 | |
| Water Extension, East Mendon | 1,500 00 | |
| Water Department Maintenancee | 625 76 | |
| Soldiers' and Sailors' Graves | 30 00 | |
| Annuity Fund | 500 00 | |
| School House Loan and Interest | 1,157 50 | |
| Fire Station Loan and Interest | 2,350 00 | |
| Water Construction Loan and Interest .. | 1,416 25 | |
| Interest on Temporary Loans | 125 00 | |
| Town Reports | 450 00 | |
| State Parks Assessment | 191 15 | |
| State Auditing of Accounts | 326 15 | |
| Stabilization Fund | 5,000 00 | |
| County Treasurer, Dog License Fees | 615 20 | |
| County Tax | 4,501 61 | |
| Motor Vehicle Excise Tax Refunds | 220 69 | |
| Commonwealth of Mass., uncashed checks | 33 00 | |
| Poll Tax Refunds | 2 00 | |
| Real Estate Tax Refunds | 45 84 | |
| Total expenditures 1951 | ————— | \$216,432 01 |
| Balance on hand December 31, 1951 | | \$38,050 05 |

HELEN F. IRONS,

Town Accountant

LIST OF JURORS

| | | |
|----------------------|--------------|-------------------|
| Chester O. Avery | Draftsman | George Street |
| D. Kinsley Barnes | Realtor | Maple Street |
| Gordon R. Good | Machinist | North Avenue |
| Mildred A. Goss | Housewife | Maple Street |
| Donald B. Lowell | Dairyman | North Avenue |
| John L. Lundvall | Photographer | Hartford Ave., E. |
| Lester P. Mann | Patternmaker | Washington Street |
| Margaret G. Morrison | Housewife | Providence Street |
| Clayton Parkinson | Florist | Hastings Street |
| Marjorie H. Shattuck | Housewife | Elm Street |
| Marion G. Stevens | Hat worker | Main Street |
| Douglas Taylor | Carpenter | George Street |
| Joseph J. Trainor | Chauffeur | Milford Street |
| Jesse F. White | Boat Dealer | Uxbridge Road |
| Harry L. Wilbur | Retired | Hastings Street |

REPORT OF TOWN TREASURER

CASH RECEIPTS

JANUARY 1, 1951—DECEMBER 31, 1951

| | | |
|---|--------------|-------------|
| Cash on hand, January 1, 1951 | \$ 23,161 23 | |
| Receipts for year 1951 | 231,320 83 | |
| | <hr/> | 254,482 06 |
| Paid per Selectmen's Warrants | | |
| year 1951 | \$216,432 01 | |
| Cash balance December 31, 1951 | 38,050 05 | |
| | <hr/> | 254,482 06 |
| Cash Balance December 31, 1951 | | 38,050 05 |
| Balance in the Home National Bank | | |
| of Milford, December 31, 1951 .. | \$39,283 49 | |
| Cash in the hands of Treasurer as of | | |
| December 31, 1951 | 4,195 45 | |
| | <hr/> | \$43,478 94 |
| Less outstanding checks as of Decem- | | |
| ber 31, 1951 | \$5,428 89 | |
| | <hr/> | \$38,050 05 |
| See Town Accountant's Report for detail of Receipts and | | |
| Expenditures. | | |
| 27 Tax Titles | | \$2,237 40 |

TRUST FUND REPORTS AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1951

AUSTIN WOOD RELIEF FUND

DR.

| | | |
|--|----------|------------|
| To Cash in Milford Savings Bank | \$546 91 | |
| To Interest Received from Milford Savings Bank | 13 74 | |
| To Cash in Worcester County Institution for Savings | 750 47 | |
| To Interest Received from Worcester County Institution for Savings | 20 77 | |
| | <hr/> | \$1,331 89 |

CR.

| | | |
|--|----------|------------|
| By Cash in Milford Savings Bank | \$560 65 | |
| By Cash in Worcester County Institu- tion for Savings | 771 24 | |
| | <hr/> | \$1,331 89 |

U. S. DEFENSE BOND

DR.

| | | |
|---|------------|------------|
| To One U. S. Defense Bond | \$1,000 00 | |
| To Interest Received on Bond | 25 00 | |
| To Interest received previous to 1951 and on deposit in The Home Na- tional Bank of Milford | 183 07 | |
| To Interest received from The Home National Bank of Milford | 2 78 | |
| | <hr/> | \$1,210 85 |

CR.

| | | |
|---|------------|------------|
| By one U. S. Defense Bond | \$1,000 00 | |
| By Cash in The Home National Bank of Milford | 210 85 | |
| | <hr/> | \$1,210 85 |

STABILIZATION FUND

DR.

| | |
|--------------------------------------|------------|
| To Cash in Milford Savings Bank | \$6,113 13 |
|--------------------------------------|------------|

| | | |
|--|----------|-------------|
| To Interest received from Milford Savings Bank | 134 87 | |
| To Cash in Milford Federal Savings and Loan Association | 9,052 08 | |
| To Interest received from Milford Federal Savings and Loan Association | 177 09 | |
| | <hr/> | \$15,477 17 |

CR.

| | | |
|---|------------|-------------|
| By Cash in Milford Savings Bank | \$6,248 00 | |
| By Cash in Milford Federal Savings and Loan Association | 9,229 17 | |
| | <hr/> | \$15,477 17 |

ANNA ELLIS LIBRARY FUND

DR.

| | | |
|--|----------|----------|
| To Cash in Milford Savings Bank | \$584 75 | |
| To Interest received from Milford Savings Bank | 14 70 | |
| | <hr/> | \$599 45 |

CR.

| | | |
|--------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| By Cash in Milford Savings Bank | \$599 45 | |
| | <hr/> | \$599 45 |

NATHAN R. GEORGE, Jr. TRUST FUND

DR.

| | | |
|--|------------|------------|
| To Cash in Milford Savings Bank | \$1,182 71 | |
| To Interest received from Milford Savings Bank | 29 74 | |
| | <hr/> | \$1,212 45 |

CR.

| | | |
|--------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| By Cash in Milford Savings Bank | \$1,212 45 | |
| | <hr/> | \$1,212 45 |

AUSTIN B. FLETCHER LIBRARY FUND

DR.

| | | |
|---|------------|------------|
| To Cash in Milford Savings Bank | \$5,145 22 | |
| To Interest received from Milford Savings Bank | 129 42 | |
| | <hr/> | \$5,274 64 |

CR.

| | | |
|---------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| By Cash in Milford Savings Bank | \$5,182 25 | |
| By two Library Orders | 92 39 | |
| | <hr/> | \$5,274 64 |

ANNIE E. GASKILL LOT—BICKNELL CEMETERY

DR.

| | | |
|---|----------|----------|
| To Cash in Milford Savings Bank | \$100 00 | |
| To Interest received from Milford Savings Bank | 1 25 | |
| | <hr/> | \$101 25 |

CR.

| | | |
|---------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| By Cash in Milford Savings Bank | \$101 25 | |
| | <hr/> | \$101 25 |

JOSEPH S. COX, JOSEPH BATES AND JOHN S. COX
LOTS—BICKNELL CEMETERY

DR.

| | | |
|---|----------|----------|
| To Cash in Milford Savings Bank | \$100 00 | |
| To Interest received from Milford Savings Bank | 1 25 | |
| | <hr/> | \$101 25 |

CR.

| | | |
|---------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| By Cash in Milford Savings Bank | \$101 25 | |
| | <hr/> | \$101 25 |

COLLECTOR'S REPORT

1951

1949 Personal Property Taxes

DR.

| | | |
|--------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Taxes Outstanding Jan. 1, 1951 | \$132 75 | |
| Interest | 7 49 | |
| | <hr/> | \$140 24 |

CR.

| | | |
|----------------------|----------|----------|
| Paid Treasurer | \$140 24 | |
| Uncollected | 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$140 24 |

1949—Real Estate Taxes

DR.

| | | |
|--------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Taxes Outstanding Jan. 1, 1951 | \$1,736 56 | |
| Interest | 34 24 | |
| Costs of Tax Taking | 4 15 | |
| | <hr/> | \$1,774 95 |

CR.

| | | |
|----------------------|------------|------------|
| Paid Treasurer | \$1,734 45 | |
| Tax Taking | 40 50 | |
| Uncollected | 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$1,774 95 |

1950 Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes

DR.

| | | |
|---|----------|----------|
| Total Taxes Outstanding Jan. 1, 1951 | \$934 30 | |
| Interest | 12 92 | |
| | <hr/> | \$947 22 |

CR.

| | | |
|----------------------|----------|----------|
| Paid Treasurer | \$898 73 | |
| Abated | 48 49 | |
| Uncollected | 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$947 22 |

1950 Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes

DR.

| | | |
|-------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Taxes Committed Jan. 17, 1951 | \$195 56 | |
| Interest | 54 | |
| | <hr/> | \$196 10 |

CR.

| | | |
|----------------------|----------|----------|
| Paid Treasurer | \$191 89 | |
| Abated | 4 21 | |
| Uncollected | 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$196 10 |

1950 Personal Property Taxes

DR.

| | | |
|--------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Taxes Outstanding Jan. 1, 1951 | \$655 96 | |
| Interest | 15 59 | |
| | <hr/> | \$671 55 |

CR.

| | | |
|----------------------|----------|----------|
| Paid Treasurer | \$587 37 | |
| Uncollected | 84 18 | |
| | <hr/> | \$671 55 |

1950 Real Estate Taxes

DR.

| | | |
|--------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Taxes Outstanding Jan. 1, 1951 | \$7,208 83 | |
| Interest | 242 93 | |
| | <hr/> | \$7,451 76 |

CR.

| | | |
|-----------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Paid Treasurer | \$6,922 03 | |
| Abated | 132 86 | |
| Subsequent Tax Title Credit | 41 40 | |
| Uncollected | 355 47 | |
| | <hr/> | \$7,451 76 |

1951—Poll Taxes

DR.

| | | |
|-----------------------|------------|------------|
| Taxes Committed | \$1,134 00 | |
| Interest | 2 66 | |
| Costs | 23 45 | |
| | <hr/> | \$1,160 11 |

CR.

| | | |
|----------------------|----------|------------|
| Paid Treasurer | \$966 11 | |
| Abated | 194 00 | |
| Uncollected | 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$1,160 11 |

1951—Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes

DR.

| | | |
|--------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| First Commitment April 5, 1951 | \$4,731 71 | |
| Interest | 5 49 | |
| | <hr/> | \$4,737 20 |

CR.

| | | |
|----------------------|------------|------------|
| Paid Treasurer | \$4,608 00 | |
| Abated | 129 20 | |
| Uncollected | 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$4,737 20 |

DR.

| | | |
|--|------------|------------------|
| Second Commitment April 30, 1951 | \$1,477 78 | |
| Interest | 2 60 | |
| | | <hr/> \$1,480 38 |

CR.

| | | |
|----------------------|------------|------------------|
| Paid Treasurer | \$1,449 15 | |
| Abated | 31 23 | |
| Uncollected | 00 | |
| | | <hr/> \$1,480 38 |

DR.

| | | |
|-------------------------------------|------------|------------------|
| Third Commitment June 6, 1951 | \$2,565 08 | |
| Interest | 4 54 | |
| | | <hr/> \$2,569 62 |

CR.

| | | |
|----------------------|------------|------------------|
| Paid Treasurer | \$2,482 83 | |
| Abated | 70 86 | |
| Uncollected | 15 93 | |
| | | <hr/> \$2,569 62 |

DR.

| | | |
|---------------------------------------|------------|------------------|
| Fourth Commitment July 18, 1951 | \$2,391 61 | |
| Interest | 1 98 | |
| | | <hr/> \$2,393 59 |

CR.

| | | |
|----------------------|------------|------------------|
| Paid Treasurer | \$2,258 54 | |
| Abated | 127 33 | |
| Uncollected | 7 72 | |
| | | <hr/> \$2,393 59 |

DR.

| | | |
|------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Fifth Commitment November 23, 1951 | \$1,829 14 | |
| | <hr/> | \$1,829 14 |

CR.

| | | |
|----------------------|------------|------------|
| Paid Treasurer | \$1,319 86 | |
| Abated | 11 71 | |
| Uncollected | 497 57 | |
| | <hr/> | \$1,829 14 |

1951—Personal Property Taxes

DR.

| | | |
|-----------------------|------------|------------|
| Taxes Committed | \$7,671 50 | |
| Interest | 30 | |
| | <hr/> | \$7,671 80 |

CR.

| | | |
|----------------------|------------|------------|
| Paid Treasurer | \$6,903 30 | |
| Abated | 5 50 | |
| Uncollected | 763 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$7,671 80 |

1951 Real Estate Taxes

DR.

| | | |
|-----------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Taxes Committed | \$80,809 50 | |
| Interest | 37 79 | |
| | <hr/> | \$80,847 29 |

CR.

| | | |
|----------------------|-------------|--|
| Paid Treasurer | \$72,405 86 | |
| Abated | 1,577 50 | |

| | |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------|
| Subsequent Tax Title Credit | 292 00 |
| Uncollected | 6,571 93' |
| | <hr/> \$80,847 29 |

Tax Refunds for 1951

| | |
|---------------------------------------|----------|
| 1950 Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes | \$ 28 15 |
| 1950 Real Estate Taxes | 8 34 |
| 1951 Poll Taxes | 2 00 |
| 1951 Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes | 192 54 |
| 1951 Real Estate Taxes | 37 50 |

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR P. DALTON,

Collector of Taxes

January 1, 1952

ASSESSORS' REPORT

The Assessor's Recapitulation Sheet and Table of Aggregates is given below:

RECAPITULATION 1951

Town Appropriations:

| | | |
|--|--------------|--------------|
| Voted since 1950 Tax rate was fixed | \$154,703 95 | |
| State Taxes, 1951 | 597 85 | |
| County Taxes, 1951 | 6,396 20 | |
| Overlay for 1951 | 2,320 35 | |
| | <hr/> | \$164,018 35 |
| Estimated Receipts | \$ 56,849 47 | |
| Available Funds | 17,677 38 | |
| | <hr/> | 74,526 85 |
| | | <hr/> |
| Net amount raised on Polls and Property | | \$ 89,491 50 |
| 564 Poll Taxes at \$2.00 | \$ 1,128 00 | |
| Personal Property | 7,671 50 | |
| Real Estate | 80,692 00 | |
| Total | <hr/> | \$ 89,491 50 |

AGGREGATES 1951

| | |
|---|-----|
| Number of Assessments on Real Estate | 737 |
| Number of Assessments on Personal Estate | 72 |

| | | |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Value of Assessed Stock-in-trade .. | \$ 6,700 00 | |
| Value of Assessed Live Stock..... | 65,180 00 | |
| Value of Assessed Machinery | 77,300 00 | |
| Value of All Other Assessed | | |
| Personal Property | 4,250 00 | |
| Total value of Assessed | | |
| Personal Property | ————— | \$153,430 00 |
| Value of Assessed Buildings, | | |
| excluding land | \$1,281,990 00 | |
| Value of Assessed Land, | | |
| excluding buildings | 331,850 00 | |
| Total value of Assessed | | |
| Real Estate | ————— | \$1,613,840 00 |
| Total value of Assessed Property .. | | \$1,767,270 00 |
| Tax on Personal Estate | \$ 7,671 50 | |
| Tax on Real Estate | 80,692 00 | |
| Tax on Polls | 1,128 00 | |
| Total | ————— | \$89,491 50 |
| Rate of Tax per \$1,000 | \$50 00 | |
| Number of Horses assessed | 26 | |
| Number of Cows assessed | 542 | |
| Number of Neat Cattle other | | |
| than cows assessed | 87 | |
| Number of Swine assessed | 45 | |
| Number of Goats assessed | 12 | |
| Number of Fowl assessed | 3210 | |
| Number of Dwelling | | |
| Houses assessed | 558 | |
| Number of Acres of Land assessed | 10,721 | |

MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES COMMITTED
TO COLLECTOR IN 1951

Value of Vehicles

| | |
|--------------------------|-------------|
| registered in 1951 | \$13,263 69 |
|--------------------------|-------------|

MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES ABATED

| | |
|------------------|----------|
| 1951 Taxes | \$562 87 |
|------------------|----------|

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|------------------|-------|
| 1950 Taxes | 80 83 |
|------------------|-------|

OVERLAY ACCOUNT 1951

| | |
|--------------------|------------|
| 1951 Overlay | \$2,320 35 |
|--------------------|------------|

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|-----------------------|----------|
| 1951 Abatements | 1,957 70 |
|-----------------------|----------|

Respectfully submitted,

DONALD B. LOWELL,
D. KINSLEY BARNES,
CHARLES F. LEONARD

Board of Assessors

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

1951

DOGS LICENSED IN 1951

| | | |
|--|--------|----------------|
| 169 Males at \$2.00 each | 338 00 | |
| 33 Females at \$5.00 each | 165 00 | |
| 72 Spayed Females at \$2.00 each | 144 00 | |
| 4 \$10.00 Kennel Licenses | 40 00 | |
| | | ————— \$687 00 |
| Less Clerk's fees: 278 licenses at 20c | | 55 60 |
| | | ————— |
| Cash paid Town Treasurer as per | | |
| monthly statements | | \$631 40 |

Much credit is due our Dog Officer Raymond Miller for the extra amount of dog tax collected this year. He has devoted much of his time rounding up unlicensed dogs in 1951.

Attention is called to the fact that all dogs *three* months old or more must be licensed at the Town Clerk's Office on or before April 1, 1952. No bills are sent for this tax, so please co-operate by paying your Dog License promptly. Dog owners should realize that the Dog Refund is added to the General School Fund, and should be more prompt in paying this tax.

SPORTING LICENSES ISSUED FROM JANUARY 1, 1951 TO DECEMBER 31, 1951

| | | | | |
|--------|---------------------------------|-----|---------|-----------|
| Series | 1 Resident Citizen Fishing..... | 117 | \$ 2 00 | \$ 234 00 |
| | 2 Resident Citizen Hunting..... | 110 | 2 00 | 220 00 |

| | | | |
|---|-----|--------|------------|
| 3 Resident Citizen Sporting..... | 117 | 3 25 | 380 25 |
| 4 Resident Citizen Minor and Female Fishing..... | 73 | 1 25 | 91 25 |
| 6 Resident Citizen Trapping..... | 2 | 5 25 | 10 50 |
| 7 Special Non-resident Fishing.. | 1 | 1 50 | 1 50 |
| 9 Non-resident Citizen Fishing.. | 10 | 5 25 | 52 50 |
| 10 Non-resident Citizen Hunting | 6 | 10 25 | 61 50 |
| 12 Duplicate | 4 | 50 | 2 00 |
| 15 Resident Citizen Sporting Free | 12 | — | — |
| 16 Resident Citizen Military or or Naval Sporting Free..... | 10 | — | — |
| 17 Resident Citizen Fishing (Old Age 'Asst.) Free..... | 1 | — | — |
| | | | \$1,053 50 |
| Less Fees retained by Clerk.... | 436 | at 25c | 109 00 |
| | | | <hr/> |
| Amount paid to Division of Fisheries and Game as per monthly statements | | | \$ 944 50 |

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN 1951

| Date of Birth 1951 | Name of Child | Name of Parents with Maiden Name of Mother |
|-----------------------|-------------------------------|---|
| Jan. | 5 Ronald Bruce Hart | John J. and Margaret Seay |
| | 7 William Bennett Hackenson | William E. and Frances E. Cichanowicz |
| | 25 Anthony John Warren | Arthur and Nancy Magliocca |
| Feb. | 31 Elaine Marie Barrows | Harold C. Jr. and Avis E. McKinley |
| | 4 Linda Marie Daige | George A. Jr. and Gladys L. Care |
| | 12 Allen Thomas Calcagni | Charles W. and Bernice Beiersdorf |
| Mar. | 17 Susan Lynn Campbell | William V. and Alta Sears |
| | 4 Randall Brian Harding | Philip W. and Beverly Taft |
| | 14 Harriet Beth Wiersma | Cornelius and Annie DeVries |
| | 26 Patricia Jeanne Barron | Alfred J. Jr. and Edna Laren |
| | 28 Rose Mary Kempton | Donald A. and Shirley Wright |
| Apr. | 29 Kathy Lynne Fagan | Robert K. and Shirley A. Christensen |
| | 10 Richard Allan Taft | Daniel H. and Lois E. Rosenquist |
| | 10 Paula Margaret Kopeski | Edward J. and Rita M. Tetreault |
| | 18 Charles Warren Johnson | Arthur F. and Mary R. Bowden |
| | 19 Edward Wallace Phillips | George and Barbara Packard |
| May | 28 Barbara Ellen Davenport | George G. and Anne Corcoran |
| | 2 Robert Taft Hackenson | Robert H. and Helen Charge |
| | 4 Sharon Craddock | Hugh and Dorothy Chapin |
| | 6 Marsha Jean Bradley | Albert and Dorothy Varney |
| June | 22 Gerald Lee Wiersma | George and Jennie Oosterman |
| | 8 Roland Lind Carlson, Jr. | Roland L. and Marjorie E. Boyd |
| | 15 Elizabeth Elaine Hurlimann | Henry O. and Edith Gaskill |
| | 18 Stuart Loring White | Edgar L. and Gloria Stuart |
| July | 20 Victoria Ann DiAntonio | Joseph F. and Eva L. Silvi |
| | 15 Wayne Emory Garrett | William E. and Myrtle Cole |
| | 11 Edward Joseph Rondeau, Jr. | Edward J. and Jane Ann Hetherington |
| Aug. | 23 Janet Louise Kinnecome | Willard E. and Ruth A. Lyon |
| | 11 Patricia Ann Roy | Raymond T. and Florida Daige |
| | 12 Paul Davis Whiting | Robert E. and Beatrice Sanborn |
| | 14 Baby Girl Taylor | Harold E. and Marion W. Burrill |
| | 16 Cheryl Marguerite Demers | Norman H. and Lillian Lamontagne |
| Sept. | 22 Paul Gilbert Beal | Gilbert W. and Evelyn M. Sullivan |
| | 20 Alice May Hunt | Raymond and Pierrette Mongeon |
| | 9 Dianne Marie Bond | Henry Delbert and Jean E. Farr |
| Oct. | 1 Thomas Michael Hackenson | Thomas D. and Dorothy A. Charge |
| | 9 Robert Ernest Lamothe | Francis J. and Edwina Tetreault |
| Dec. | 29 Dennis Ernest Tetreault | Aldore E. and Pauline A. Leclair |
| | 14 Dale Robbin Colby | Ira M. and Josephine Higgins |
| | 14 Karleen Louise Barrows | Merton F. and Janet Smith |
| | 26 Stanley Allen Walenty | Edward E. and Louise C. Knowlton |

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN 1951

| Date of Marriage 1951 | | Place of Marriage | Names | Residence |
|--------------------------|----|-------------------|--|--|
| Jan. | 27 | Hopedale | James A. Carmody, Jr. Susan I. Seagrave | Mendon Uxbridge |
| Feb. | 3 | Uxbridge | William D. O'Brien Irene C. Wilde | Uxbridge Mendon |
| | 3 | No. Bellingham | Robert H. Bennett Marjorie Bowen | Bellingham Mendon |
| | 17 | No. Bellingham | Arthur Richards Rita Belland | Mendon Medway |
| Apr. | 19 | Mendon | Rupert L. Greenleaf Anna C. Nelson | Mechanic Falls, Me. Framingham, Mass. |
| May | 5 | Northbridge | Frank Roy Eva R. Hill Thurber | Mendon Mendon |
| | 5 | Milford | Peter Nicholas Morelli Shirley Ruth Fessinden | Mendon Natick, Mass. |
| | 26 | Uxbridge | Herbert S. Wood Beatrice C. Tetreault | Mendon Mendon |
| June | 9 | Boston | Arthur E. White Charlotte R. Thompson | Mendon Mendon |
| June | 17 | Milford | Frank Edward Dudley Geneva Mae Wilbur | Mendon Milford |
| | 20 | Hopedale | William M. Wagner, Jr. Nancy L. Charge | Mendon Hopedale |
| | 30 | Milford | Elliot G. Halsing Helen Jean MacDonald | Mendon Mendon |
| July | 7 | Milford | Alvar M. Halsing Harriet F. Santosuosso | Mendon Milford |
| | 7 | Uxbridge | Victor L. Tetreault Theresa M. Nolet | Mendon Northbridge |
| | 8 | Wrentham | Frederick G. Harvey Rae J. MacLellan | Mendon Mendon |
| | 28 | Worcester | William Taylor Mary E. G. Demers | Mendon Worcester |
| Aug. | 25 | Milford | Walter J. Butler, Jr. Patricia Osbourn | Mendon Blackstone, Mass. |
| Sept. | 8 | Woonsocket, R. I. | Robert Edward Lemire Leah M. Garneau | Mendon Woonsocket, R. I. |
| | 15 | Medway | Robert John Rossetti Mary Margaret Fletcher | Mendon Medway, Mass. |
| Oct. | 13 | Mendon | James M. Rogers, Jr. Joyce Lillian Palmer | Mendon Gorham, N. H. |
| | 18 | Hopedale | Edgar I. Ayotte Pauline Martin | Woonsocket, R. I. Mendon |
| Dec. | 1 | Mendon | William L. Auty Mary J. Whitney Laundry | Mendon Mendon |
| | 29 | Milford | Furnie R. White, 3rd Margaret L. Dowden | Mendon Hopedale |

DEATHS REGISTERED IN 1951

| Date of Death 1951 | Name | Age | | | Cause of Death |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|-----|----|----|---|
| | | Y | M | D | |
| March | John J. Mauning | 37 | 6 | 11 | Mitral stenosis with auricular fibrillation and cardiac failure |
| | Arthur Frederic Rugg | 39 | 0 | 14 | Shot gun wound through mouth |
| April | Patrick F. Quirk | 64 | 1 | 29 | Coronary Thrombosis |
| | Lucinda M. Esty | 93 | 1 | 5 | Congestive heart failure |
| May | Henry Ace Hammond | 74 | 3 | 7 | Cerebral hemorrhage |
| | Thomas F. Kelley | 85 | 7 | 1 | Arterio sclerosis |
| Aug. | George Loftis Smith | 48 | 10 | 18 | Cardiac Pulmorale |
| | Mary J. Taylor | | | 2 | Congenital diffuse atelectasis |
| June | Mabel B. Fletcher | 64 | 6 | 13 | Myocarditis |
| Oct. | Sophronia Louise Daniels | 83 | 7 | 17 | Broncho pneumonia |
| Nov. | George Metcalf Barrows | 56 | 9 | 27 | Cancer of kidney |
| Dec. | Helen Maria Taft | 88 | 5 | 25 | Myocarditis |

Parents and others are requested to carefully examine the above lists and if any errors or omissions are discovered report them at once to the town clerk, that the record may be corrected, as it is of importance that the records of Vital Statistics should be complete.

GENERAL LAWS, CHAPTER 46, SECTION 6.

Parents, within forty days after the birth of a child, and every householder, within forty days after a birth in his house, shall cause notice thereof to be given to the clerk of the town where such child is born * * *

NOTICE

SOME OF THE MANY

REASONS WHY BIRTHS SHOULD BE RECORDED

To establish identity.

To prove nationality.

To prove legitimacy.

To show when the child has the right to enter school.

To show when the child has the right to seek employment under the child labor law.

To establish the right of inheritance to property.

To establish liability to military duty, as well as exemption therefrom.

To establish age and citizenship in order to vote.

To qualify to hold title to, and to buy or sell real estate.

To establish the right to hold public office.

To prove the age at which the marriage contract may be entered into.

To prove age to determine validity of a contract entered into by an alleged minor.

To prove age for Old Age Assistance.

To prove age so as to have the right to take Civil Service Examinations.

Parents be sure to record the birth of your child with given name in full.

Your co-operation to the end that all births may be properly recorded will be greatly appreciated.

Parents will please return the supplemental birth report sent them by the Clerk, even though they have received one from the Clerk of the town in which the child was born. The corrections are not forwarded to the Mendon Town Clerk.

Blanks for the return of all Vital records can be obtained from the Town Clerk.

In submitting the 25th Annual report I would like to say that it has been a pleasure to serve the Townspeople during these years, and may I be able to serve you a great many more.

Respectfully submitted,

ALBERT S. COLEMAN,

Town Clerk.

Mendon, January 1, 1952.

REPORT OF FIRE DEPARTMENT

December 31, 1951

To the Selectmen of Mendon,

Gentlemen:

The Fire Department answered 16 alarms in 1951 as follows:

| | |
|------------------------|-------------------|
| 3 Chimney Fires | 1 False Alarm |
| 3 Dwelling House Fires | 1 Garage Fire |
| 4 Automobile Fires | 2 Hen House Fires |
| 2 Mercantile buildings | |

Called to wash off road where a large amount of fuel oil had spilled.

Called twice for use of floodlights at auto accidents.

A new siren was installed in the library building.

The firemen held their usual Fourth of July parade entertainment and refreshments for the children. The soap-box derby was held in October and with the Grange the Department decorated the tree on Founders Park for Christmas.

This year Christmas carols were played over a public address system from the fire station.

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD F. LOWELL,

Fire Chief

The forest fire department answered 17 alarms in 1951 burning over 18 acres of grass and 6½ acres of brush land.

Five of these fires were caused by careless use of incinerators, five started from burning without a permit and five were started by the roadside, one by hunters and one by boys.

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD F. LOWELL,

Forest Warden

REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

1951

| | |
|--|------|
| Complaints answered | 57 |
| Accidents investigated | 47 |
| Persons injured | 21 |
| Persons admitted to Hospital | 15 |
| Court cases | 6 |
| Committed to State Hospital | 1 |
| Cars repossessed | 2 |
| Stolen cars recovered | 2 |
| Stolen bicycles recovered | 2 |
| Suicide case | 1 |
| Attempted suicide | 1 |
| Fatal accident investigated | 1 |
| Arrests made | 8 |
| Breaking and entering | 8 |
| Hours patrolling | 937 |
| Miles covered patrolling | 2154 |
| Warrants served | 2 |
| Summons served | 6 |
| Summons served for out of town Police | 9 |

During the year 162 Motor Vehicle violations were turned in to me. The Registry of Motor Vehicles suspended 73 licenses and issued 25 Warning Notices.

I recommend that there be more road patrolling during the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD C. BARROWS,

Chief of Police

REPORT OF
INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTERING

To the Board of Health:

Gentlemen:

I wish to report one meat inspection for the year 1951.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLARD N. SEIBERT,

Inspector of Slaughtering

REPORT OF SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

| | | |
|----------------------------|----------|---------|
| Scales under 100 lbs. | 9 @ 50c | \$ 4 50 |
| Scales over 100 lbs | 1 @ 1 00 | 1 00 |
| Gasoline Pumps | 8 @ 1 00 | 8 00 |
| Grease Pumps | 6 @ 1 00 | 6 00 |
| Kerosene Pumps | 1 @ 25c | 25 |
| Total | | \$19 75 |

Fees and adjusting charges authorized by Section 56, G. L. Ch. 98 as amended by Ch. 34, Acts of 1949.

I have collected \$19.75 for sealing fees and have turned this amount over to the Town Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,

RAYMOND A. MILLER,

Sealer

REPORT OF DOG OFFICER

I hereby submit a list of the deceased Dogs and Cats disposed of by me during 1951:

March 4

Pleasant Street

1 Dog

| | | |
|--------------|---------------------|--------|
| March 20 | Park Street | 1 Dog |
| April 2 | Milford Street | 1 Dog |
| April 20 | North Avenue | 1 Cat |
| September 12 | Uxbridge Road | 1 Dog |
| September 30 | Millville Street | 1 Dog |
| October 22 | Uxbridge Road | 1 Dog |
| November 7 | Hartford Avenue, W. | 1 Dog |
| November 26 | Bates Street | 2 Cats |

Respectfully submitted,

RAYMOND A. MILLER,

Dog Officer

REPORT OF WIRING INSPECTOR

Electric inspections 20 @ \$1.00 each \$20.00

I have collected and turned over to the Town Treasurer
\$20.00 for electrical inspections.

Respectfully submitted,

WALTER J. CHANNING,

Inspector of Wires

REPORT OF THE HIGHWAY SURVEYOR

To the Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

I submit the following report of work done on the Town roads for the year 1951.

CHAPTER 81

A drop inlet and 240 feet additional drainage with pipe was installed on Taft Avenue. This has taken care of the overflow of water in this section.

Harrington Street was excavated and widened to 16 feet, and made a hard surface road.

North Avenue was improved in front of the Pickard residence and a drop inlet and pipe has been installed, thus doing away with a bad ditch.

On Washington Street 1,580 feet of roadway was honed and improved. A new culvert was also installed.

Hopedale Street, which was in very poor condition, has been honed from North Avenue to Trask Road .

Park Street was honed and improved from Uxbridge Road to the Wright residence.

Trask Road was improved and a hard top surface applied.

2,370 feet of roadway was honed and improved on Hartford Avenue East and the same distance was honed and improved on Bellingham Street.

2,125 yards of gravel was used on Town roads and ten new street signs were erected in various places. Seal coats of tar and asphalt and sand were applied, and brush was cut on all Chapter 81 roads.

CHAPTER 90 MAINTENANCE

North Avenue, Northbridge Road, Hartford Avenue West and Millville Streets were treated with asphalt and tar where the surface required it. Brush was cut on all of these roads and drainage work done.

CHAPTER 90 CONSTRUCTION

On Providence Street from the Thomas residence to the Ashkins' residence, the road was excavated part way and some of it was broken up and the corners cut. 240 feet of drainage was installed opposite the Parmenter farm and the ledge was cut back about 25 feet. This was to staighten the road somewhat as well as to allow more room for snow removal.

There is an article in the Town Warrant for \$4,000. for a new bridge on Bellingham Street to replace the one over Muddy Brook which has been condemned by the State Department of Public Works as unsafe. The large stringers are in bad condition the planks are loose and spikes will not stay driven in. The necessary repairs would cost considerable, and then last for only a few years. The requested appropriation would provide for a steel arch bridge which would last many years.

CONCLUSION

I wish to thank the Board of Selectmen, the Townspeople, and the State and County Engineers for their cooperation and assistance during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM R. BOWEN,
Highway Surveyor

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS

The East Mendon Water System which has been in use in that section of the Town since the latter part of 1947, has a total of 40 takers receiving service and 11 hydrants available. There will be additional services installed as of 1952.

These additional services will make a substantial increase in water revenue for the Town as well as revenue from property taxes.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANKLIN E. GOODNOW

EVERETT G. WATSON

DONATO F. LEONE

Water Commissioners

SEVENTY-FIRST ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TRUSTEES OF THE
TAFT PUBLIC LIBRARY

The Trustees of the Taft Public Library submit the report of the Librarian, Financial Report, and Trustees Report for the year ending December 31, 1951.

During the year some significant improvements have been made in the library building and grounds. A planting of evergreens has been set along the front of the building and a tree planted in the front lawn. Additional book shelves have been installed in the basement room to store books of limited utility in order that the space in the upstairs stacks may be used for the books which are more generally used.

It is the hope of the Trustees that arrangements can be made to improve the grounds between the Library and Town Hall that the area may become an attractive and well kept lawn.

At the meeting of the Trustees on August 30, 1951, it was voted to accept a bequest of \$226 from the estate of the late Samuel B. Taft of Uxbridge. The financial report shows that money from this bequest was used to pay for the landscaping and planting on the library grounds.

In order that the services of the Library may be maintained on a satisfactory level, it will be necessary to ask for a somewhat larger appropriation at the annual town meeting.

The Trustees wish to express their appreciation for the sincere and faithful work of Mrs. Vestella M. Daniels, Librarian.

Respectfully submitted,

NINA M. BURR

HAROLD METCALF

RICHARD F. HARDING

HENRY P. CLOUGH

Library Trustees

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

To the Trustees of the Taft Public Library:

The circulation for the year (99 days) was 3938; the largest number given out in one day, 93; and the average, 41. Circulation by classes was: Fiction, 1784; juvenile, 995; magazines, 649; biography, 114; travel, 63; history, 94; literature, 77; fine arts, 59; science and all others, 143.

New books added to the Library by the Town, 60; by Fletcher Fund, 56; making a total of 116. We have also received by gift 67 books, for which thanks are due Mrs. Viola Barnes, Mr. Eugene Weeks, Mrs. Turner, Mrs. E. C. Nelson, Miss Mary English, Mrs. Mabel Griffin and Miss Nina Burr. There are now 10,677 volumes in the Library.

The Library subscribes to the following magazines: American, American Home, Atlantic Monthly, Better Homes &

Gardens, Boys' Life, Life, Colliers, Good Housekeeping, Ladies Home Journal, McCall's, National Geographic, Popular Mechanics, Reader's Digest, Red Book, Saturday Evening Post, Time and Woman's Home Companion. Fines collected during the year amounted to \$15.60, which has been turned over to the town treasurer.

Miss Iris Rogers and Miss Shirley Steere have been high school assistants this year; and Miss Steere conducted the Story Hour for five weeks in the summer. Vital Records of Massachusetts towns and other reference books of historical interest have been placed on new shelves in the basement.

Respectfully submitted,

VESTELLA M. DANIELS,

Librarian

ANNUAL REPORT

of the

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

and

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

of the

TOWN OF MENDON

MASSACHUSETTS

for the

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1951

SCHOOL DIRECTORY 1951-1952

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

| | |
|------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Richard F. Harding, Chairman | Term Expires 1952 |
| Herbert F. Bowen | Term Expires 1953 |
| Gordon R. Good, Secretary | Term Expires 1954 |

Regular meetings are held at the Center School building on the fourth Monday of each month at 7:30 P. M.

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS—PERCY L. ROWE, B. S. E., Ed. M.

The Superintendent may be met every Tuesday and Wednesday at the Mendon High School or by appointment.

Office—Center School, Bellingham Center

Office Hours—4:00 P. M. to 5:00 P. M. on School days.

SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

Donald Allain, M.D.

Telephone, Milford 1851-W

SCHOOL NURSE

Grace Moran

Milford District Nursing Association

JANITOR

Raymond Barrows

Mendon, Mass.

TRANSPORTATION AGENTS

Harold C. Barrows, Mendon, Mass.

Jesse F. White, Mendon, Mass.

ATTENDANCE OFFICER

Harold C. Barrows

Mendon, Mass.

TEACHERS

| Name | Subject or Grade | Preparation | Degree or Years | Years in Town |
|----------------------------|-------------------------------------|--|------------------|---------------|
| Henry P. Clough, Principal | Algebra, French Geometry, Geography | Dartmouth College and New Hampshire University | B.S. | Twenty-fourth |
| Raymond F. Biedrzycki | Math., Biology Science, Physics | Rhode Island State | Ed.M. | Sixth |
| Mary C. McCormack | Commercial Ed. | Regis College | B.S. | Seventh |
| Louise Benotti | Home Economics Social Science | Simmons College | B.S. | Fifth |
| Doris O'Neill | English Latin | Worcester State Tea. | B.S.E. | Fourth |
| Virginia Mayo | Grade 6 | Bridgewater State Tea. | B.S.E. | Eighth |
| Rita Bishop | Grade 5 | Framingham State Tea. | Two | First |
| Dorothy L. Stanas | Grade 4 | Worcester State Tea. | B.S.E. | Second |
| Barbara Seaver | Grade 3 | Framingham State Tea. | B.S.E. | Seventh |
| Grace Gaskell | Grade 2 | Framingham State Tea. | Two | Thirteenth |
| Bertha Hammann | Grade 1 | Rhode Island College | Two and one-half | Sixth |

SUPERVISORS

| Name | Subject | Preparation | Degree or Years | Years in Town |
|---------------------|-------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|---------------|
| Christine Wilson | Music | N. E. Conservatory of Music | Diploma 3 Years | Fourth |
| William L. Rinehart | Handwriting | University of Pittsburgh | M.A. | Fifth |

SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR PERIOD
JANUARY, 1952 TO JUNE, 1953 .

HIGH SCHOOL

Open January 2, 1952, Close February 15, 1952
Open February 25, 1952, Close April 18, 1952
Open April 28, 1952, Close June 20, 1952

SUMMER VACATION

Open September 3, 1952, Close December 23, 1952
Open January 5, 1953, Close February 20, 1953
Open March 2, 1953, Close April 17, 1953
Open April 27, 1953, Close June 19, 1953

ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

Same as High School Except:

Close June 13, 1952
Close June 12, 1953

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

Memorial Day, May 30, 1952
Columbus Day Observance, October 13, 1952
Armistice Day, November 11, 1952
Thanksgiving Recess, November 27-28, 1952

AGE OF ADMISSION TO SCHOOL

Any child who becomes six years of age on or before January first of the year following the term when he wishes to enter school may be admitted into the first grade, but in every case the admission of a child under six shall be dependent upon the fitness of the child to profit by the work of the school, such fitness to be determined by the superintendent. Pupils under seven years of age who have not previously attended school shall not be permitted to enter later than thirty days after the opening of school in September of any school year.

SCHOOL REGULATIONS

Any complaint or representation which any person desires to make shall be presented or referred in writing to the superintendent of schools, who, in his discretion may bring it before the school committee. In cases of discipline or other school matters relating to their children, parents shall first discuss the matter with the teacher concerned. If for some reason they are not satisfied they will further discuss the matter with the following persons, if necessary, and in the following order: first, the principal of the building and then the superintendent of schools. If, finally, the superintendent has been unable to satisfy the parents, he shall report the case to the school committee for consideration and action.

THE NO SCHOOL SIGNAL

It is the policy of the school officials to practically abandon the use of the "no school" signal on account of weather conditions. This is in line with what many other cities and towns are doing. The reasons for so doing are that much confusion has re-

sulted from the use of the "no school" signal, and the realization that the loss of even one school day is a very serious one.

However, there may be days when it is advisable to close schools on account of severe weather conditions or any other emergency.

Arrangements have been made with Radio Stations WNAC, WBZ and WWON to broadcast the fact whenever it is necessary to close the schools. The "no school" signals are usually given before, during or immediately after the news program. The siren will also blow three blasts twice at 7:30 A. M.

If schools do not close on any particularly bad day (rain, snow, or cold) parents are requested, and urged, to use their own judgment in sending their children to school.

SCHOOL FINANCIAL REPORT

RECEIPTS

| | | |
|-----------------------------|----------|-------------|
| General Appropriation | \$57,964 | 79 |
| Dog Tax, 1951 | 430 | 21 |
| Total Receipts | | \$58,395 00 |
| Total Expenditures | \$58,389 | 19 |
| Unexpended Balance | | 5 81 |

REIMBURSEMENTS

| | | |
|--|----------|-------------|
| State Aid | \$12,068 | 46 |
| Superintendent: Salary-Transportation .. | 1,498 | 24 |
| All School Transportation | 7,035 | 11 |
| Boston City Wards | 381 | 99 |
| Sale of Motor | 30 | 00 |
| Vocational Educations | 72 | 14 |
| Telephone Refund | 3 | 59 |
| Total Reimbursements | | \$21,089 53 |

TAXATION COST OF SCHOOLS

| | | |
|----------------------------|----------|-------------|
| Total Expenditures | \$58,389 | 19 |
| Reimbursements | 21,089 | 53 |
| Net Cost by Taxation | | \$37,299 66 |

EXPENDITURES

| | | |
|-----------------------------------|-------|-------|
| School Committee Expense | \$ | 35 00 |
| Superintendent's Salary | 2,359 | 95 |
| Superintendent's Expense | 295 | 04 |
| Supervisor's Salary (Music) | 650 | 24 |

| | | |
|--|-----------|-------------|
| Supervisor's Salary (Penmanship) | 350 00 | |
| Teachers' Salaries | 29,327 63 | |
| Textbooks | 924 07 | |
| School Supplies | 937 79 | |
| Wages of Janitor | 2,606 99 | |
| Fuel | 1,186 96 | |
| Janitor's Supplies | 839 04 | |
| Telephones | 135 64 | |
| Electricity | 493 64 | |
| Advertising | 21 00 | |
| Police Protection | 16 88 | |
| Commissioner of Public Safety | 5 00 | |
| Maintenance | 27 00 | |
| Insurance | 46 00 | |
| Repairs | 7,295 02 | |
| Library | 13 34 | |
| Health | 533 15 | |
| Transportation | 8,844 54 | |
| New Equipment | 1,445 27 | |
| Total Expenditures | | \$58,389 19 |

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

To the Citizens of Mendon:

We congratulate the townspeople on their fine school system, under the guidance of a personnel of remarkable ability and integrity. In trying times like the present, which we are going through, it behooves us to look back at the faith and courage of our predecessors—and look up to God for renewal of our trust to our community, state, and nation.

It is the desire of the school committee to extend our efforts in service to the community by keeping within the limits of the budget voted by you, and retaining the highest possible degree of scholarship.

In looking over the progress of the past year, we have accomplished with the able assistance of our local contractor, Carlton Goss, the completion of a new class room in the basement, a new tool house, a new draining system, and a cover for the boiler room entrance.

Considerable redecorating has been accomplished in the various classrooms. The purchase of new equipment has greatly simplified the cleaning and resurfacing of the floors.

The chairs in the domestic science room are being refinished; a new gas stove and a gas refrigerator are being installed.

The installation of the new heating system, voted by you, is giving good performance, and represents money wisely spent.

Parent night was observed November 14. No classes were held. Parents were given an opportunity to observe the work

of the pupils and to confer with the teachers. It is hoped this change will work out with satisfaction to all concerned.

The transportation of the pupils is efficiently handled by Messrs. Jesse F. White and Harold C. Barrows.

For the new year we have in our budget recommendations for new shades for some classrooms, equipment for a play center, grading about the grounds, new equipment for the commercial department, and repairs to the roofs in sections where needed.

The school committee has in mind and shall endeavor to do something about instruction in art and mechanical drawing. We also need an adequate medical center in our school system.

The rising costs of materials and labor limit us in procuring all of the above, but some progress is anticipated. Increases in wages for teachers and personnel have been effected.

We extend our thanks and appreciation to the faithful work of our school superintendent, principal and teaching staff, the P. T. A., and the labors of Mr. Biedrzycki, Mrs. Edna Brown, Raymond Barrows, and fellow townspeople.

In conclusion we appeal to the parents and pupils to take civic pride in helping to keep our property presentable at all times.

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD F. HARDING, Chairman

GORDON R. GOOD, Secretary

HERBERT F. BOWEN

Mendon School Committee

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the School Committee of Mendon:

Gentlemen:

It is with pleasure that I submit for your consideration my ninth annual report as Superintendent of School.

No changes occurred in the regular teaching staff during the past year. However, due to the construction of a new classroom an additional teacher was necessary. Mrs. Rita Bishop of Milford, and a graduate of Framingham Normal School, was engaged to fill this position. Mrs. Bishop, an experienced teacher, is fitting into our school system in a splendid manner. We are very fortunate in being able to retain our experienced teachers.

Our school enrollment figures are steadily increasing each year. The total enrollment, as of October 1, 1951, was 327 which is the greatest number of pupils ever to be enrolled in our school. However, included in this figure are some 12 to 15 pupils who will probably be leaving during the year. They are children whose fathers are engaged in gas pipe line construction work and may be classed only as temporary residents of the town. The following table shows the total enrollment, as of October 1, grades one through twelve, over a ten-year period.

| Year | Number Pupils |
|------------|---------------|
| 1942 | 307 |
| 1943 | 284 |
| 1944 | 262 |
| 1945 | 249 |
| 1946 | 247 |

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| 1947 | 249 |
| 1948 | 249 |
| 1949 | 259 |
| 1950 | 297 |
| 1951 | 327 |

It is interesting to observe that the largest enrollment, prior to 1951, was in 1942, about 9 years ago, when the figure was 307. The total school enrollment will continue to increase each year because the birth rate is increasing. In 1950 there were 43 births recorded in town. Quite a number of new homes have been built. Children from these families will further increase the total number of children in school attendance. The construction of a new basement classroom has alleviated a condition where we would have had dangerously overcrowded grade classrooms. For another year or two it would seem that we could get along without more classroom space. Anticipated registrations for the next few years are as follows:

| | |
|----------------------|-----|
| September 1952 | 340 |
| September 1953 | 335 |
| September 1954 | 365 |

Since it takes time to provide for an expansion of the school plant, the matter of future enrollment must be carefully studied and increased attendance planned for.

Classroom instruction has continued on a high level with all teachers endeavoring to maintain high standards. The retention of good teachers for two or more years enables them to understand the children and better learn their abilities, skills and attitudes. Particular emphasis is being placed on English, literature, spelling, and handwriting. State courses of study are being used in all grades up to and including grade six. The reading program in grade one was completely revised before the opening of school in September. We have all the various materials necessary for this most important subject. Grade two revisions will be off the press in time for the teachers to use them next September. All teachers

are trying to make school work interesting to pupils. Special activities and projects are used to further motivate the school program.

This year for the first time it has been possible to organize the elementary grades on the basis of a single grade to a room and a single grade to a teacher. Each of the first four grades occupies a room on the first floor. Grade five occupies the new classroom in the basement, and grade six, a room on the second floor. This organization is far superior to that of past years when some classrooms were obliged to take care of two grades, or sections of two grades at the same time. With our present organization—only one grade to a room—more efficient instruction is possible, more time can be given to the class, and the children are more homogeneously grouped. This change marks a splendid step forward in the education of our children.

American Education Week was observed as usual in November. This year an open house night was held, whereby parents could visit classrooms, observe the work of the pupils, and talk with teachers in regard to the progress of their children. This was a very successful arrangement, and many parents took advantage of this opportunity to visit the school and discuss problems with teachers. It might be well to add here that parents are cordially invited to visit the school and classes at any time. The School Department is always pleased and willing to do everything in its power at any time to further the progress of each and every pupil.

The school lunch room has continued functioning in an exceptionally fine manner. The work of different members of the Parent-Teachers-Association in helping prepare meals is deeply appreciated. Rising prices and increasing costs of operation have made it necessary to increase the cost of lunches. A good cafeteria is a very important part of a well-founded school program.

Last May a registration and visiting day was held for children who expected to enter grade one for the first time and for their parents. This is a very important school activity as it gives

the School Department an idea as to the possible size of the entering class and how best to prepare and provide for it. It also saves considerable time which would have to be spent in registering first grade children on the opening day of school in September. It also gives parents an opportunity to get children vaccinated, required by law, and have birth certificates in order. Another such day will be held next May. It is sincerely hoped that every first grade child who will enter school for the first time next September will be registered. Notices will be sent to all parents in advance.

The annual registration of all minors in town, between the ages of 5 and 16, was taken in October. The results are shown in the following table:

DISTRIBUTION OF MINORS

| | 5 years or over and under 7 | 7 years or over and under 16 |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Boys | 22 | 142 |
| Girls | 20 | 150 |
| Totals | 42 | 292 |
| In public school membership | 25 | 271 |
| In private school membership | 2 | 20 |
| Not enrolled in any school | 15 | 1 |
| Total | 42 | 292 |

The figures in this listing will not be the same as in the Age-Grade-Enrollment chart. The figures in the Registration of Minors table include all pupils in town regardless of whether or not they attend school, or where they attend school. The Age-Grade-Enrollment chart figures show the number of pupils attending public school.

The most repair item this year was the construction of a new classroom in the basement of the building opposite the home economics classroom. This room is modern in every way and is one of the best classrooms in the school building. It has an acoustical tile ceiling, fluorescent lighting, automatic heating, and ventilation, mastic tile floor, modern green chalkboards, modern cork bulletin board, new movable desks and chairs, and many other features. Without this new classroom our elementary grades would have been so badly overcrowded that efficient classroom instruction would have been almost impossible. Furthermore, the addition of this classroom should take care of expanding enrollment for the next year or two.

Another major improvement has been the elimination of water seepage into the basement of the new part of the building on the northwest corner. This condition has existed for years in spite of efforts each year to check it. In spite of all the heavy fall rains no water has entered the basement. We sincerely hope this situation has finally been cleared up.

A new covered entrance was constructed over the boiler room entrance which probably assisted in stopping the water seepage.

A small building has also been erected in the back yard to be used for storage purposes.

A new acoustical ceiling was installed in the home economics room during the Christmas vacation. Fluorescent lighting was put in at the same time. By special arrangement with the Suburban Propane Gas Corporation a modern new gas range and a modern new gas refrigerator have also been installed in this room.

Much interior painting was done, largely in corridors, toilet rooms, and basements. A new vacuum pump has been put in the boiler return system. Two new storage compartments have been built in what was the old coal bin, one for school use and one for cafeteria use. Occasional plumbing and electrical repairs have been necessary. Some work had to be done on floors in the old part of the building due to summer time dampness in the building, which caused expansion and warping of hardwood flooring.

The new heating plant has been in use a little over a year and has proven very satisfactory. It is now possible to heat the building at even temperatures at all times. In spite of constantly increasing costs of fuel, the consumption of fuel oil, No. 5, is proving to be less expensive than coal.

Fuel costs for the last few years are as follows:

| | | |
|------------|-----------------|---------------------------|
| 1948 | \$1779.97 | coal |
| 1949 | \$1584.23 | coal |
| 1950 | \$2083.34 | coal to Oct. 19, then oil |
| 1951 | \$1186.96 | all oil (Number 5) |

The 1950 cost was larger than usual due in part to the fact that more expensive Number 2 fuel oil was used the first few weeks the burner was in use.

It is a pleasure to report that the entire school plant is in excellent repair and is constantly being improved.

In addition to regular routine repairs for 1952, the following should be considered:

- New shades in several classrooms
- Continuation of interior painting

Sanding and refinishing desks
 Windows tightened and repaired in old part of building
 Storm windows painted
 Leaks in roof in one or two places
 Playground improvement, especially the baseball
 diamond

In conclusion I wish to express to you my sincere thanks for your efforts in making the school year a most successful one. The assistance and cooperation of the Principal, Mr. Clough, the teachers, school physician, school nurse, townspeople, parents, and pupils is also deeply appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

PERCY L. ROWE,

Superintendent of Schools

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|--------|-------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| VIII | B | | | | | | 2 | 4 | 5 | 1 | | | | 12 | | | | |
| | G | | | | | | 4 | 12 | 1 | 3 | | | | | 20 | 32 | | |
| IX | B | | | | | | | 2 | 4 | 1 | 1 | | | 8 | | | | |
| | G | | | | | | | | 7 | 2 | | | | | 9 | 17 | | |
| X | B | | | | | | | | 1 | 3 | 2 | 1 | | 7 | | | | |
| | G | | | | | | | | 4 | 10 | 2 | | | | 16 | 23 | | |
| XI | B | | | | | | | | | | 7 | 1 | | 8 | | | | |
| | G | | | | | | | | | 4 | 4 | | | | 8 | 16 | | |
| XII | B | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 3 | 1 | 4 | .... | .... |  |  |
| | G | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 1 | 7 | 1 | .... | 9 | 13 | | |
| Totals | | 1 | 25 | 38 | 43 | 40 | 25 | 18 | 28 | 27 | 25 | 26 | 17 | 12 | 2 | 159 | 168 | 327 |
| Boys | | 1 | 12 | 16 | 23 | 23 | 10 | 10 | 15 | 14 | 12 | 7 | 10 | 5 | 1 | 159 | | |
| Girls | | 0 | 13 | 22 | 20 | 17 | 15 | 8 | 13 | 13 | 13 | 19 | 7 | 7 | 1 | | 168 | |

REPORT OF HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

To Mr. Percy L. Rowe,
Superintendent of Schools:

I herewith submit the annual report of Mendon High and Center School.

Registration figures are high. During the early weeks of the 1951-52 school year, registrations were the highest in the history of the school. The considerable number of automobile trailer families living in Mendon during the fall months of 1951 accounts for the larger enrollment figures shown in the Grade-Age Distribution Table of October 1, 1951.

The construction of a new grade room in the building during the summer months has very satisfactorily relieved a condition of crowding in the grades which would have been a serious problem this year without the use of the additional room. Also, the addition of another teacher to the grade staff has made possible for the first time the assignment of single grades to all grade teachers.

The enrollment figures as of December 21, 1951 are as follows: Grade I-29, Grade II-31, Grade III 43, Grade IV-45, Grade V-28, Grade VI-23, Grade VII-25, Grade VIII-32, Grade IX-14, Grade X-22, Grade XI-16, Grade XII-13.

Nine students graduated from High School at graduation exercises held Wednesday, June 20, 1951 at the Mendon Unitarian Church. Members of the Class of 1951 are Ruth M. Bosma, Donald E. Coburn, Barbara M. Grant, Dianne E. Ham-

mond, Beverly L. Keefe, Helen Jean MacDonald, Bette Lou Mantoni, Fred R. Phipps, Jr., Lawrence M. Rogers.

Barbara M. Grant attained highest scholastic honors and Ruth M. Bosma second highest honors for the four high school years. Barbara M. Grant was the winner of the Mendon High School Alumni Medal and the Good Citizenship Medal and Certificate. The Alumni Medal is presented by the Mendon High School Alumni Association to the Senior who has contributed most to the welfare of the school during his school attendance. The high school staff selects the winner. The Good Citizenship Medal and Certificate is presented yearly by the Daughters of the American Revolution to the girl in the graduating class who has best demonstrated qualities of good citizenship and leadership. The winner of this honor is selected by vote of the members of the Senior Class and members of the teaching staff.

The twenty-fourth annual prize speaking contest was held April 5, 1951 at the Mendon Town Hall. Twelve students presented selections. First prize was awarded to Shirley M. Steere, Second prize to Bruce A. Thomas, and third prize to Joanne Goodnow. The annual senior play was presented at the Town Hall on December 7, 1951. A cast of sixteen under the direction of Mrs. Doris O'Neill presented a three act comedy, *The Boarding House Reach*, to a large and appreciative audience. On March 9, 1951 a school minstrel show was presented at the Town Hall under the direction of Miss Christine Wilson, Supervisor of Music. The net proceeds of these entertainments are used almost exclusively to finance the Washington trip for the Seniors.

As a part of the observance of American Education Week, an open house evening was held November 14, 1951 at the school building. Teachers were in their rooms for conferences with parents from seven to nine P. M. Samples of all types of pupils' class papers were on display.

The school lunch program is in its fifth year of operation in Mendon. From the beginning of 1947, it has been a popular

feature of the school program and has been well patronized by a majority of the children who remain at the school building during the lunch period. Because of gradual increases in food costs along with the general rise in price level, it has been necessary to increase lunch prices this year. The charge for the full lunch consisting of a hot plate, milk, and dessert has been increased from twenty to twenty-three cents per day when purchased for the full week by the pupils. The price of the same lunch without the dessert has been raised from fifteen to eighteen cents per day for school pupils. These increases were unavoidable because of a deficit last year in the operation of the lunch program of slightly more than five hundred dollars. It is the aim of the program to provide the best possible lunch at the lowest possible cost. However, a sound financial standing must be maintained to pay the necessary bills. There are two paid workers who operate the lunch room with the help of parents and friends who donate their services one or more days a week. Without the help of the volunteer workers, who have been most generous and cooperative, the problem of balancing the budget of the school lunch program would be much more serious than it is now. Furthermore, in contrast to wage levels in other types of work which have been raised greatly during the past five years, the school lunch workers are receiving the same weekly wage as in 1947. It is a general policy in towns and cities, where school lunches operate, to subsidize the programs to some extent through an appropriation from the school budget. Although such an appropriation has not been necessary in previous years, it is apparent that there is need for one now.

Parents are urged to confer with the teachers and principal whenever they have questions about school matters. In conclusion, I wish to express sincere appreciation for the assistance and cooperation of the Superintendent of Schools, Mr. Percy L. Rowe, the School Committee, the Mendon Parent-Teacher Association, and the townspeople of Mendon.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY P. CLOUGH, Principal

SCHOOL NURSE'S ANNUAL REPORT

1951

Mr. Percy L. Rowe,
Superintendent of Schools:

May we submit to you the Annual School Nursing Report for the year ending December 1951.

Mendon School was visited Tuesday of each week, when school was in session.

Registration was held at Mendon School on May 25th, with the nurse assisting.

A request was presented to the school committee by Mr. Rowe in January of 1951 in regard to the Patch Testing of all pupils in the school. The committee was pleased and enthusiastic about this health project. Nearly 300 in all were done by Dr. F. L. Berry, with the nurse assisting. All children who showed positive reactions were later X-rayed at the Mobile Unit Clinic at Milford on March 20th. At this time all Mendon School personnel and High School Seniors were included. Worcester County Sanatorium provided this service.

Mumps, chicken pox and grippe were prevalent this year. One case of meningitis of unknown origin was reported.

The State Department again loaned us the Massachusetts Vision Testing equipment and audiometer. All pupils present were examined. The nurse assisted Dr. Allain, who was appointed school physician to replace Dr. Berry. The pupils in Grades 1-3-5 have been examined. The remaining grades will be done the first of the year.

Triple and double antigen clinics were held in Mendon School, March 27th, April 24th and May 22nd. Drs. Berry and Allain, assisted by the nurses, conducted the clinics.

The following is a summary of the work done by the nurse in her visits to the school:

| | |
|--|-----|
| 1. Inspection of pupils | 768 |
| 2. Pupils inspected for disease | 84 |
| 3. Pupils recommended for exclusion | 13 |
| 4. Pupils and nurse conferences | 244 |
| 5. Pupils treated for minor injuries | 41 |
| 6. Nurse and teacher conferences | 237 |
| 7. Home visits | 39 |

All pupils were measured and weighed twice during the year. The following defects were found amongst the children examined by Dr. Allain:

| | |
|---------------------------------------|---|
| Referred for dental evaluations | 4 |
| Post nasal drip | 2 |
| Enlarged tonsils | 9 |
| Swollen glands | 2 |
| Eczema | 1 |
| Posture | 1 |
| Wax in ears | 7 |
| Otitis media | 1 |
| Heart murmur | 1 |

In closing, may we thank Dr. Allain, Mr. Rowe, the school committee, the principal and teachers of Mendon School for their courtesy and co-operation.

Respectfully submitted,

GRACE MORAN,

Supervisor of Nurses

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

Report of Mendon Schools for 1951

The annual physical examinations done this fall showed the following defects:

| | |
|--------------------------------------|---|
| Referred for dental evaluation | 4 |
| Post-nasal drip | 2 |
| Enlarged tonsils | 9 |
| Swollen glands | 2 |
| Posture | 1 |
| Eczema | 1 |
| Wax in the ear | 7 |
| Otitis media | 1 |
| Heart murmur | 1 |

Grades I, III, and V were examined at this time, and these examinations were concluded December 11, 1951.

Grades VII, and IX are to be examined at a later date.

Respectfully submitted,

DONALD ALLAIN, M.D.

School Physician

MUSIC SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

To the Superintendent of Schools:

My dear Mr. Rowe,

The children in the primary grades have been made conscious of tone as high and low, rising and falling, long and short, quick and slow, loud and soft. Their ears have been trained to recognize these elements and eventually the eye will observe the way they are expressed in music notation. In this way skill in music reading is acquired.

The basic power in music reading depends primarily upon recognition and performance of rhythmic patterns, rather than of tonal patterns. For this reason it is essential that a definite rhythmic flow be maintained, even if a note or two—or three is incorrectly sung as to pitch. I like to tell the youngsters that when “trying out” for a position with a symphony orchestra, the test demands accuracy in rhythm, but will permit a tonal mistake. I find that scansion of the poetic text, according to note value, and the use of strokes with the forearm, a practice which was popular in the Elizabethan days of universal madrigal singing, are practical and successful devices for mastering the “bug-a-boo” of time keeping. It is an unbelievably difficult task to make children realize that rests and holds are just as important as notes, and must be sensed as part of the rhythmic flow. Clapping and stepping the various rhythms appeal to the young people, and are a great help in developing the swing and rhythmic details of the music.

I think it is important at all times that the pupils should be made conscious of beautiful tone quality and interpretation. We

can't repeat too often that the jaw must be loose and the throat open, in order to prevent a pinched or squeezed tone. The youngsters know that the vocal tone should be colored by the spirit of the song—its contrasting moods, stories or ideas.

With the little children the conservation of the voice is of first importance, rather than its development. Usually it is not until the fifth grade that dynamics, flexibility and other technical matters are brought out. This is the time when youngsters are ready to think about the way they use their voices. Having them sing a sustained note (by means of diaphragmatic costal-lateral breathing) with a root vowel in the core region of the voice, produces excellent tone quality. The hard part, of course, is getting them to carry that purity of tone into their song singing. However, I feel that on the whole, they're singing very well.

In closing, I wish to thank you, Mr. Rowe, and all connected with the Mendon school system, for their interest and fine co-operation.

Respectfully submitted,

CHRISTINE WILSON,

Supervisor of Music Education

MENDON HIGH SCHOOL
PRIZE SPEAKING CONTEST
MENDON TOWN HALL APRIL 4, 1951

| | |
|----------------------------------|------------|
| Tommy Stearns Scrubs Up | Seeman |
| Bruce A. Thomas | |
| Number Please | Hutchings |
| Jeanne C. Lamothe | |
| Wednesday | Kerr |
| Barbara A. Tadakowsky | |
| Amateur Hour | McMahon |
| Betty Ann Desmarais | |
| For Jim | Black |
| Joanne Goodnow | |
| Address Honoring Lincoln | Hoover |
| Wayne F. Wagner | |
| The Vision of Columbus | Folk Tune |
| Fifth and Sixth Grade Chorus | |
| Dotty Takes A Hand | Dickerson |
| Beverly J. Rocks | |
| Cigarette's Ride | Rame |
| Iris B. Rogers | |
| The Black Cat | Poe |
| Frances B. York | |
| A Model Letter To A Friend | Tarkington |
| Claire M. Lamothe | |
| Daddy Doc | Kimball |
| Shirley M. Steere | |
| My First Date | Lain |
| Cecile M. Rondeau | |
| Shine, Glorious Sun | Grille |
| Fifth and Sixth Grade Chorus | |
| Decision of Judges | |

GRADUATION EXERCISES OF MENDON HIGH SCHOOL

UNITARIAN CHURCH

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 20, 1951

P R O G R A M

Processional—Pomp and CircumstanceElgar
Mrs. Bertha B. Rogers

Invocation

Rev. Truman L. Hayes

Salutatory and Essay—England

Ruth M. Bosma

Essay—Germany

H. Jean MacDonald

Essay—China

Fred R. Phipps, Jr.

Essay—India

Lawrence M. Rogers

Song—A Tribute to RombergRomberg
High School Chorus

Essay—France

Dianne E. Hammond

Essay—Italy

Bette Lou Mantoni

Essay—Russia

Beverly L. Keefe

Essay—Canada

Donald E. Coburn

Song—May the Good Lord Bless and Keep You Willson-Stickles
High School Chorus

Essay and Valedictory—Korea
Barbara M. Grant

Diploma and Award Presentation—
Mr. Richard D. Harding
Chairman of School Committee

Star Spangled Banner

Benediction
Rev. Truman L. Hayes

Recessional—Coronation March Meyerbeer
Mrs. Bertha B. Rogers

GRADUATES OF MENDON HIGH SCHOOL
CLASS OF 1951

Helen Jean MacDonald
Ruth M. Bosma
Donald E. Coburn
Barbara M. Grant
Dianne E. Hammond
Beverly L. Keefe
Bette Lou Manton
Fred R. Phipps, Jr.
Lawrence M. Rogers

TOWN WARRANT

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Worcester, ss.

To the Constable of the Town of Mendon in the County of
 Worcester, - Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Mendon qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs to meet at the Town Hall in said Mendon on Monday, the third day of March A.D., 1952, punctually at 9 o'clock A. M., to act on the following articles, 1 and 2. Article 3 and all following Articles on this Warrant will be acted upon Friday, the seventh day of March at 7 P. M.

Article 1. To choose a moderator to preside over said meeting.

Article 2. To bring in their ballots for the following Town Officers:

- One Moderator for one year;
- One Town Clerk for one year;
- One Selectman for three years;
- One Assessor for three years;
- One Assessor for one year;
- One Town Treasurer for one year;
- One Constable for one year;
- One Tree Warden for one year;
- One Trustee of the Taft Public Library
for two years;
- One Member of the School Committee
for three years;
- One Tax Collector for three years;
- One Park Commissioner for three years;
- One Highway Surveyor for one year;

One Water Commissioner for three years;
all on one ballot designating the office intended for each person
voted for.

Article 3. To hear the reports of the several Town Officers
and Committees and act thereon.

Article 4. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the
ensuing year.

Article 5. To appropriate such sums of money as may be
necessary to defray town expenses for the financial year beginning
January 1, 1952.

Article 6. To determine the compensation of the Tax Col-
lector for the ensuing year.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the
Town Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow
money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the
financial year beginning January 1, 1952, not to exceed \$20,000
and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year and
to renew any note or notes as may be given for the period of less
than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44 of the
General Laws.

Article 8. To see if the Town will appropriate any sum
of money for the improvement and repairs of highways, to be
expended under the direction of the Massachusetts Department
of Public Works as provided under Chapter 81 of the General
Laws as amended, or take any action in relation to the same.

Article 9. To see if the Town will appropriate any sum
of money for the operation and repairs of Town machinery, a
part or whole to be taken from the Road Machinery fund, or
take any action in relation to the same.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate any
sum of money for the maintenance of Chapter 90 Roads, said
money to be used in conjunction with any money which may be

allotted by the State and County for this purpose, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate any sum of money for Chapter 90 New Construction provided the State and County will contribute for such work under the provisions of Chapter 90 of the General Laws.

Article 12. To see what action the Town will take regarding any legal proceedings that may be brought against or by the Town.

Article 13. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to sell any or all real estate owned by the Town by reason of the foreclosure of Tax Title thereon and to execute, acknowledge and deliver a proper deed or deeds therefor, authority therefor to terminate March 2, 1953 or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the dog license refund from the Worcester County in 1951 to be used for general school expenses in 1952, or take any action in relation to the same.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Assessors to use such an amount of the free cash in the treasury as in their judgment should be used to reduce the tax levy of 1952, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$5,000 from available funds to the Stabilization Fund; as defined in Chapter 124, Acts of 1945 of the General Laws of Massachusetts, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,000 for the erection of a new bridge over Muddy Brook on Bellingham Street, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,500 for school playground improvements, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Moderator to appoint a committee of five to investigate and study the provisions of Chapter 662, Acts of 1949, relative to the organization of a Union Health Department, and to determine the advantages to be derived from Mendon joining with neighboring towns for a Union Health Department. This committee to report its findings and recommendations at the next annual Town Meeting, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$600.00 for the purpose of repairing a portion of the lower Town Hall for use by the Police Department, or take any action in relation thereto.

Polls will close at 6:00 P. M.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up an attested copy thereof at the Post Office in said Mendon and causing a copy to be published once in the Milford Daily News, a newspaper published in Milford, Mass., both said posting and publication to be at least seven days before the time of the meeting hereby ordered to be held.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk of said town before the time of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Mendon, this 21st day of February, A.D., 1952.

HAROLD METCALF,
JOHN L. LUNDVALL,
ERNEST P. WOOD,

Selectmen of Mendon

A true copy, attest:

HAROLD C. BARROWS,

Constable of Mendon

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Article 5.

| | 1951 | 1951 | 1952 |
|---------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|--------------|
| | Appropriation | Transfers | Expenditures |
| | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| Moderator's Salary | 25 00 | ..... | 25 00 |
| Selectmen's Salaries | 550 00 | ..... | 550 00 |
| Selectmen's Expense | 150 00 | ..... | 135 50 |
| Treasurer's Salary | 550 00 | ..... | 550 00 |
| Treasurer's Expense | 170 00 | ..... | 158 95 |
| Town Accountant Salary | 400 00 | ..... | 400 00 |
| Town Accountant Expense | 50 00 | ..... | 30 94 |
| Town Clerk's Salary | 200 00 | ..... | 200 00 |
| Town Clerk's Expense | 500 00 | ..... | 251 90 |
| Tax Collector's Expense | 200 00 | ..... | 198 27 |
| Assessor's Salaries | 650 00 | ..... | 650 00 |
| Assessor's Expense | 300 00 | ..... | 284 69 |
| Elections and Registrations | 550 00 | 45 51 | 595 51 |
| Town Counsel Salary | 100 00 | ..... | 100 00 |
| Town Counsel Expense | 75 00 | 170 75 | 245 75 |
| Clerical Hire for Town Officers | 300 00 | ..... | 294 30 |
| Town Officer's Bonds | 190 00 | ..... | 177 25 |
| Town Hall Maintenance | 800 00 | ..... | 791 46 |

| | 1951 | 1951 | 1952 |
|--------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|-----------------------------|
| | Appropriation | Transfers | Expenditures-Recommendation |
| Record Room Maintenance | 350 00 | 34 60 | 384 60 380 00 |
| Heat and Lights—Town Buildings | 2,000 00 | ..... | 1,971 24 2,000 00 |
| Constable's Salary | 25 00 | ..... | 25 00 25 00 |
| Police Department | 1,500 00 | 392 38 | 1,892 38 2,000 00 |
| Fire Department | 1,650 00 | ..... | 1,643 59 1,685 00 |
| Forest Fire Department | 500 00 | ..... | 500 00 500 00 |
| Hydrant Rental | 500 00 | ..... | 500 00 550 00 |
| Dog Officer | 75 00 | 36 00 | 111 00 75 00 |
| Sealer of Weights and Measures | 50 00 | ..... | 49 86 45 00 |
| Board of Health | 2,500 00 | ..... | 1,686 95 1,700 00 |
| Tree Warden | 500 00 | ..... | 500 00 500 00 |
| Elm Beetle Suppression | 500 00 | ..... | 500 00 500 00 |
| Moth Suppression | 200 00 | ..... | 200 00 200 00 |
| Inspector of Animals | 150 00 | ..... | 150 00 150 00 |
| Inspector of Slaughtering | 25 00 | ..... | 25 00 25 00 |
| Worcester County Hospital | 3,483 58 | ..... | 3,483 58 3,843 88 |
| General Repairs | 1,500 00 | ..... | 1,488 44 1,700 00 |
| Snow Removal | 6,000 00 | 884 77 | 6,884 77 6,000 00 |
| Street Lighting | 700 00 | | 684 00 684 00 |
| Public Welfare Salaries | 45 00 | | 45 00 45 00 |

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|--|-----------|--------|-----------|-----------|
| Public Welfare, Temporary Aid | 6,000 00 | | 5,996 86 | 6,000 00 |
| Wire Inspector Salary | 50 00 | | 50 00 | 50 00 |
| Aid to Dependent Children | 3,000 00 | ..... | 2,197 07 | 2,000 00 |
| Old Age Assistance | 20,000 00 | ..... | 16,211 07 | 16,000 00 |
| Old Age Assistance Administration | 500 00 | ..... | 500 00 | 750 00 |
| Veterans' Benefits | 500 00 | ..... | 231 45 | 500 00 |
| School Department | 57,964 79 | 430 21 | 58,389 19 | 58,352 30 |
| Taft Public Library | 625 00 | ..... | 625 00 | 700 00 |
| Vocational Education | 1,500 00 | ..... | 579 83 | 1,000 00 |
| Administration of Veteran's Benefits | 100 00 | ..... | 100 00 | 100 00 |
| Water Department Maintenance | 500 00 | 125 76 | 625 76 | 600 00 |
| Soldiers' and Sailors' Graves | 30 00 | ..... | 30 00 | 30 00 |
| Park Department | 200 00 | ..... | 179 30 | 200 00 |
| Memorial Day Celebration | 175 00 | 51 61 | 226 61 | 200 00 |
| Insurance on Town Buildings | 1,815 00 | ..... | 1,804 20 | 1,800 00 |
| Town Reports | 510 00 | ..... | 450 00 | 660 00 |
| Reserve Fund | 2,000 00 | ..... | 1,741 38 | 2,000 00 |
| Maturing Debt | 4,000 00 | ..... | 4,000 00 | 4,000 00 |
| Interest on Maturing Debt | 923 75 | ..... | 923 75 | 825 75 |
| Interest on Temporary Loans | 200 00 | ..... | 125 00 | 200 00 |
| Tax Title Foreclosure | 50 00 | ..... | ..... | 50 00 |
| Worcester County Retirement Expense Fund | 640 20 | ..... | 640 20 | 731 45 |

1952 RECOMMENDATIONS

| | | |
|---------|-----|------------|
| Article | 6. | \$ 952 00 |
| " | 8. | \$3,700 00 |
| " | 9. | \$3,000 00 |
| " | 10. | \$1,500 00 |
| " | 11. | \$2,000 00 |
| " | 14. | Approved |
| " | 16. | Approved |
| " | 17. | Approved |
| " | 18. | No action |

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of the

TOWN OFFICERS

of the

TOWN OF MENDON

including the report of the

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

for the

MUNICIPAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1952

286th ANNUAL REPORT

UXBRIDGE PRINTING CO.
UXBRIDGE, MASS.
1953

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

| | |
|-----------------|--------------------------|
| Asa Vear | Joseph W. McEwen |
| Fred L. Kempton | Albert S. Coleman, Clerk |

FINANCE COMMITTEE

| | | |
|---------------------|----------------|------------------|
| Franklin E. Goodnow | Roy A. Barrows | Lee P. McFarland |
|---------------------|----------------|------------------|

PARK COMMISSIONERS

| | | |
|----------------|-------------------|-------------|
| Norry J. Daige | George A. Johnson | Fred Phipps |
|----------------|-------------------|-------------|

| | |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Chief of Police | Harold C. Barrows |
| Constable | Harold C. Barrows |
| Tree Warden | William E. Nuttall |
| Town Solicitor | Shelly D. Vincent |
| Dog Officer | Raymond A. Miller |
| Wiring Inspector | Walter J. Channing |
| Sealer of Weights and Measures | Raymond A. Miller |
| Superintendent of Schools | Percy Rowe |
| Fire Chief and Forest Warden | Harold F. Lowell |
| Superintendent of Streets | William R. Bowen |
| Burial Agent | Norry J. Daige |

| | |
|---------------------------------|-----------------|
| Inspector of Slaughtering | William Seibert |
| Inspector of Animals | Roy Barrows |
| Town Accountant | Helen F. Irons |

WATER COMMISSIONERS

| | | |
|------------------|----------------|--------------|
| Franklin Goodnow | Everett Watson | Donato Leone |
|------------------|----------------|--------------|

SURVEYOR OF WOOD AND BARK

Arthur V. Pond

FIELD DRIVERS

| | | |
|-------------|-------------|--------------------|
| Alex Woleck | Edward Goss | W. Arthur Robinson |
|-------------|-------------|--------------------|

VETERANS' AGENTS

| | |
|----------------|----------------|
| Harold Metcalf | Ernest P. Wood |
|----------------|----------------|

FINANCIAL REPORTS

MODERATOR—SALARY

| | |
|----------------------|---------|
| Appropriation | \$25 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Roy A. Barrows | \$25 00 |

SELECTMEN—SALARIES

| | |
|------------------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$550 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Harold Metcalf | \$166 67 |
| John L. Lundvall | 233 33 |
| Ernest P. Wood | 150 00 |
| Total expended | \$550 00 |

SELECTMEN—EXPENSES

| | |
|-------------------------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$150 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Postage | \$21 00 |
| Lock Box | 3 00 |
| Cahill's Supplies | 7 04 |
| Advertising | 29 13 |
| Delivering Town Reports | 20 00 |
| Dues to State Asso. | 15 00 |
| Dues County Association | 6 00 |
| Expenses to State | |
| and County Meetings .. | 23 00 |
| Hobbs & Warren, Inc., | |
| forms | 15 46 |

| | | |
|-----------------------------|------|----------------|
| Forbes Press, printing | 8 00 | |
| Total expended | | \$147 63 |
| Unexpended | 2 37 | |
| | | <hr/> \$150 00 |

TREASURER—SALARY

| | | |
|--------------------------|--|----------|
| Appropriation | | \$700 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Charles F. Leonard | | \$700 00 |

TREASURER—EXPENSE

| | | |
|-------------------------------------|----------|----------------|
| Appropriation | \$150 00 | |
| Transferred from Reserve Fund | 67 70 | |
| | | <hr/> \$217 70 |

Expended:

| | | |
|--|---------|----------------|
| A. Neally, safe repairs | \$25 00 | |
| Postage and stationery | 76 40 | |
| Forms, Hobbs & Warren | 9 24 | |
| Dues to State Asso. | 2 00 | |
| Check books | 20 31 | |
| Certification of Notes | 2 00 | |
| Forbes Press, printing | 8 50 | |
| Preparing Schedule A | 15 00 | |
| Office supplies | 11 00 | |
| Transportation | 10 00 | |
| Karl Bright, bond and insurance | 38 25 | |
| Total expended | | <hr/> \$217 70 |

TAX TITLE FORECLOSURE

| | | |
|-------------------------------------|---------|---------------|
| Appropriation | | \$50 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Hobbs & Warren Inc., forms | \$ 8 28 | |
| Unexpended: | 41 72 | |
| | | <hr/> \$50 00 |

TOWN ACCOUNTANT—SALARY

| | |
|----------------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$400 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Helen F. Irons | \$400 00 |

TOWN ACCOUNTANT—EXPENSE

| | | |
|-------------------------------------|---------|---------|
| Appropriation | \$50 00 | |
| Transferred from Reserve Fund | 28 65 | |
| | <hr/> | \$78 65 |
| Expended: | | |
| Mass. Division of Accounts | | |
| forms | \$53 65 | |
| Cahill's News Agy., supplies | 25 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$78 65 |

TOWN CLERK—SALARY

| | |
|-------------------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$200 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Albert S. Coleman | \$200 00 |

TOWN CLERK —EXPENSE

| | |
|-------------------------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$500 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Hobbs & Warren | |
| forms | \$2 20 |
| Toll calls | 4 45 |
| Printing | 63 76 |
| Recording Fees | 83 00 |
| Advertising | 4 00 |
| Postage | 3 87 |
| Dues & expenses, Town Clerks' | |
| Meetings | 66 25 |
| Adjusting & swearing to | |
| papers | 10 00 |

| | | |
|---------------------------|-------|----------|
| Miscellaneous expenses .. | 28 71 | |
| Total expended | ————— | \$266 24 |
| Unexpended | | 233 76 |
| | ————— | \$500 00 |

TAX COLLECTOR—SALARY

| | | |
|-----------------------------------|--|----------|
| Appropriation | | \$925 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Arthur P. Dalton, Collector | | \$925 00 |

TAX COLLECTOR—EXPENSE

| | | |
|-----------------------------|---------|----------|
| Appropriation | | \$225 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Karl Bright, insurance | \$32 00 | |
| Use of car | 10 00 | |
| Stationery and printing .. | 65 13 | |
| Postage | 80 00 | |
| Deputy Collector's Bond.. | 5 00 | |
| Dues to State Asso. | 2 00 | |
| Advertising | 15 40 | |
| Office supplies | 13 48 | |
| Total expended | ————— | \$223 01 |
| Unexpended | | 1 99 |
| | ————— | \$225 00 |

ASSESSORS—SALARIES

| | | |
|--------------------------|----------|----------|
| Appropriation | | \$700 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Donald B. Lowell | \$200 00 | |
| D. Kinsley Barnes | 200 00 | |
| Carl M. Taft | 200 00 | |
| Charles F. Leonard | 100 00 | |
| Total expended | ————— | \$700 00 |

ASSESSORS—EXPENSES

| | | |
|--------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Appropriation | | \$300 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Postage | \$5 00 | |
| Deed Abstracts | 146 72 | |
| Hobbs & Warren, forms | 22 69 | |
| Dues to State & County Asso. | 9 00 | |
| D. K. Barnes, use of car | 10 00 | |
| Miscellaneous supplies | 13 70 | |
| Total expended | \$207 11 | |
| Unexpended | 92 89 | |
| | | \$300 00 |

ELECTIONS AND REGISTRATIONS

| | | |
|------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$900 00 | |
| Transferred from Reserve Fund..... | 46 07 | |
| Total | | \$946 07 |
| Expended: | | |
| Election payrolls | \$293 09 | |
| Listing | 130 48 | |
| Printing | 243 75 | |
| Milford Daily News, Advt. | 82 15 | |
| Registrars' Salaries | 150 00 | |
| Ballot cases | 20 11 | |
| Repairs to Voting booths | 8 73 | |
| Miscellaneous supplies | 17 76 | |
| Total expended | \$946 07 | |

TOWN COUNSEL—SALARY

| | |
|--------------------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$100 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Shelley D. Vincent | \$100 00 |

TOWN COUNSEL—EXPENSE

| | |
|--------------------------|---------|
| Appropriation | \$75 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Shelley D. Vincent | \$75 00 |

CLERICAL HIRE FOR TOWN OFFICERS

| | |
|----------------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$300 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Helen F. Irons | 300 00 |

TOWN OFFICERS' BONDS

| | |
|----------------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$201 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Karl A. Bright | \$201 00 |

TOWN HALL MAINTENANCE

| | |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|
| Appropriation | \$800 00 |
| Transferred from Reserve Fund | 86 30 |
| Total | <hr/> \$886 30 |
| Expended: | |
| Frank Barsanti, repairs.... | \$132 00 |
| Raymond Dudley, | |
| Janitor service | 480 00 |
| Janitor's supplies | 131 45 |
| C. L. Goss, repairs | 114 80 |
| Bottled gas..... | 28 05 |
| Total expended | <hr/> \$886 30 |

RECORD ROOM MAINTENANCE

| | |
|----------------------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$380 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Carrie Marlow, janitor.... | \$50 00 |
| Fuel | 114 02 |

| | | |
|-----------------------------|--------|----------|
| Lights | 13 20 | |
| Telephone | 129 43 | |
| Shoveling paths..... | 3 00 | |
| Cleaning typewriter | 12 00 | |
| Cleaning oil burner | 6 00 | |
| Chimney repairs | 33 54 | |
| Miscellaneous supplies | 2 50 | |
| Total expended | 363 69 | |
| Unexpended | 16 31 | |
| | | \$380 00 |

HEAT AND LIGHTS

TOWN HALL, FIRE STATION, AND HIGHWAY BARN

| | | |
|---------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Appropriation | \$2,000 00 | |
| Transferred from O.A.A. Account | 450 00 | |
| Total | \$2,450 00 | |
| Expended: | | |
| Worc. Co. Elec. Co. | \$ 224 16 | |
| H.J. Shaughnessy Oil Co. | 1,871 68 | |
| Boiler inspection | 5 00 | |
| Frank Barsanti, repairs.... | 348 75 | |
| Total expended | \$2,449 59 | |
| Unexpended | 41 | |
| | | \$2,450 00 |

CONSTABLE—SALARY

| | |
|-------------------------|---------|
| Appropriation | \$25 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Harold C. Barrows | \$25 00 |

POLICE DEPARTMENT

| | |
|-------------------------------------|------------|
| Appropriation | \$2,000 00 |
| Transferred from Reserve Fund | 600 00 |
| Total | \$2,600 00 |

Expended:

| | |
|-----------------------------|------------------|
| Repairs | \$75 40 |
| Officers pay rolls | 1,942 58 |
| Telephone | 102 12 |
| Mileage | 306 90 |
| Accident photos | 10 00 |
| Printing and supplies | 55 02 |
| Badges & handcuffs | 82 20 |
| Bicycle plates | 6 34 |
| Advertising | 5 40 |
| Total expended | \$2,585 96 |
| Unexpended | 14 04 |
| | <hr/> \$2,600 00 |

NEW POLICE ROOM

| | |
|-------------------------------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$600 00 |
| Transferred from Reserve Fund | 200 00 |
| Total | \$800 00 |

Expended:

| | |
|----------------------------|----------------|
| Lumber and material | \$252 15 |
| M. M. Goodnow, | |
| plumbing | 70 44 |
| Lester Hill, wiring | 40 00 |
| Paint and supplies | 94 16 |
| Furnishings and | |
| equipment | 302 06 |
| Miscellaneous expenses.... | 21 95 |
| Total expended | \$780 76 |
| Unexpended | 19 24 |
| | <hr/> \$800 00 |

FIRE DEPARTMENT

| | | |
|----------------------------|----------|------------------|
| Appropriation | | \$1,685 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Pay rolls | \$954 50 | |
| Carrie Marlow, | | |
| test blowing | 50 00 | |
| Repairs to apparatus | 154 40 | |
| Worc. Co. Elec. Co. | 33 00 | |
| Gasoline, oil etc. | 78 68 | |
| Maintenance of building | 82 74 | |
| Farrar Co., equipment | 92 55 | |
| Niro & Niro, repairs | 65 22 | |
| Telephone | 170 46 | |
| Total expended | ————— | \$1,681 55 |
| Unexpended | | 3 45 |
| | | ————— \$1,685 00 |

FOREST FIRE DEPARTMENT

| | | |
|-------------------------|---------|----------------|
| Appropriation | | \$500 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Forest Warden | \$25 00 | |
| Farrar & Co., equipment | 314 50 | |
| Pay rolls | 158 00 | |
| Total expended | | \$497 50 |
| Unexpended | | 2 50 |
| | | ————— \$500 00 |

HYDRANT RENTAL

| | | |
|---------------------|--|----------|
| Appropriation | | \$550 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Town of Mendon, | | |
| 11 hydrants | | \$550 00 |

DOG OFFICER

| | | |
|-------------------------------------|---------|---------|
| Appropriation | \$75 00 | |
| Transferred from Reserve Fund | 16 50 | |
| Total | | \$91.50 |

Expended:

| | | |
|---|-------|---------|
| Raymond Miller, boarding and destroying dogs | 76 50 | |
| Raymond Miller, salary | 10 00 | |
| Raymond Miller, use of car | 5 00 | |
| Total expended | | \$91 50 |

CIVILIAN DEFENSE

| | | |
|---------------------------------------|--|----------|
| Balance on hand January 1, 1952 | | \$135 64 |
|---------------------------------------|--|----------|

Expended:

| | | |
|---|---------|----------|
| Fire Prevention Guides.... | \$15 00 | |
| Expenses for | | |
| Blood Typing Unit | 16 69 | |
| Herbert Round, expenses to Civil Defense | | |
| conference | 40 00 | |
| Total expended | \$71 69 | |
| Balance on hand Dec. 31, 1952 | 63 95 | |
| | | \$135 64 |

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

| | | |
|-------------------------------------|---------|---------|
| Appropriation | \$45 00 | |
| Transferred from Reserve Fund | 3 75 | |
| Total | | \$48 75 |

Expended:

| | | |
|---|--------|---------|
| Hobbs & Warren, supplies | \$3 75 | |
| Raymond A. Miller, salary and use of car | 45 00 | |
| | | \$48 75 |

WIRING INSPECTOR—SALARY

| | |
|----------------------------------|---------|
| Appropriation | \$50 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Walter J. Channing, salary | \$50 00 |

BOARD OF HEALTH

| | |
|---|------------------|
| Appropriation | \$1,700 00 |
| Expended: | |
| District Nursing Assn. | \$75 00 |
| A. Woleck, rent and labor on Town Dump | 505 35 |
| Soda Water permit | 10 00 |
| No. Reading State Sanitorium, treatment one case | 364 00 |
| Pondville Hospital, one case | 180 00 |
| Henry Poirier, labor on Town Dump | 120 00 |
| Hobbs & Warren, forms | 3 92 |
| M. M. Goodnow, repairs Town Pump | 38 95 |
| Total expended | \$1,297 22 |
| Unexpended | 402 78 |
| | ————— \$1,700 00 |

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

| | |
|----------------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$150 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Roy A. Barrows | \$150 00 |

INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTERING

| | |
|-----------------------|---------|
| Appropriation | \$25 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Willard Seibert | \$25 00 |

TREE WARDEN

| | |
|-------------------------------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$500 00 |
| Transferred from Reserve Fund | 75 00 |
| <hr/> | |
| Total | \$575 00 |
| Expended: | |
| William Nuttall, salary | \$ 12 00 |
| William Nuttall, labor | 180 00 |
| George Blanchard, labor | 193 00 |
| Theodore Brothers, labor | 118 00 |
| Earl Arnold, power saw | 72 00 |
| <hr/> | |
| Total expended | \$575 00 |

ELM BEETLE SUPPRESSION.

| | |
|---------------------------------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$500 00 |
| Expended: | |
| P. A. Millis, spraying | \$472 00 |
| William Nuttall, salary & labor | 28 00 |
| <hr/> | |
| Total expended | \$500 00 |

MOTH SUPPRESSION

| | |
|---------------------------------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$200 00 |
| Expended: | |
| William Nuttall, salary & labor | \$ 12 00 |

| | |
|------------------------------|----------|
| P. A. Millis, spraying | 188 00 |
| <hr/> | |
| Total expended | \$200 00 |

WORCESTER COUNTY HOSPITAL

| | |
|----------------------------------|------------|
| Appropriation | \$3,843 88 |
| Expended: | |
| Worcester County Treasurer | \$3,843 00 |

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

General Repairs

| | |
|--|------------|
| Appropriation | \$1,700 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Labor | \$906 38 |
| Town Equipment | 38 00 |
| Telephone | 147 48 |
| Rosenfeld Sand & Stone Co., Gravel | 75 94 |
| Henry J. Poirier, gravel | 5 00 |
| Seaver's Express | 2 86 |
| Leonard Jaques & Son, supplies | 63 27 |
| H. A. Daniels Co., insurance | 5 42 |
| C. C. Shattuck, supplies | 70 59 |
| C. L. Goss, repairs | 3 00 |
| Geo. H. Clark Co., paint | 78 70 |
| Hwy. Supt. Assoc., dues | 2 00 |
| Sandberg Equip. Co., supplies | 16 18 |
| Walter Killian, jack | 23 50 |
| Emmott Valley Trans. Co. | 1 70 |
| Clark-Shaughnessy Co., | 15 50 |
| Mrs. Frances Morrison, land damage | 100 00 |
| A. S. Antolini, wrecker service | 5 00 |
| Ernest Wood | 15 00 |
| S. H. Wasserman, supplies | 6 00 |
| H. J. Poirier, welding | 10 63 |

| | |
|-----------------------------------|-------|
| Anna Ingham, signs | 35 00 |
| Ernest Mellen, painting | 22 00 |
| Wm. H. Casey, Co., supplies | 11 52 |
| Postage | 2 00 |
| H. J. Shaughnessy, oil | 5 57 |
| Dyar Sales & Mach. Co., ram.... | 30 00 |
| Roland Temple, caps and dynamite | 1 69 |

| | |
|----------------------|------------|
| Total expended | \$1,699 93 |
| Unexpended | 07 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$1,700 00 |

BELLINGHAM STREET BRIDGE

| | |
|-------------------------------------|------------|
| Appropriation | \$4,000 00 |
| Transferred from Reserve Fund | 110 56 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$4,110 56 |

Expended:

| | |
|-----------------------------|------------|
| Labor | \$1,525 26 |
| Town Equipment | 130 00 |
| Hired Equipment | 213 00 |
| Dept. Public Works, | |
| license | 1 00 |
| Phil & Co., boots | 20 85 |
| N. E. Metal Culvert Co. | 1,321 04 |
| R. Mattson, bags | 12 00 |
| E. Pearson, bags | 2 40 |
| W. Bowen, bags | 2 40 |
| Rosenfeld Sand & | |
| Stone Co., Cement | 522 14 |
| Curtis's Coal Co., lumber | 67 31 |
| H. J. Poirier, gravel | 110 25 |
| Bellingham Lumber Co. | 175 91 |
| C. L. Goss, lumber | 7 00 |
| Total expended | <hr/> |
| | \$4,110 56 |

SNOW REMOVAL

| | | |
|---|------------|------------|
| Appropriation | | \$6,000 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Labor | \$1,921 35 | |
| Town Equipment | 1,163 00 | |
| Hired Equipment | 1,355 00 | |
| Rosenfeld Sand & Stone Co., sand | 570 24 | |
| Dyar Sales Co., plow blades | 137 70 | |
| E. F. Edson Co., plow blades | 21 75 | |
| Upton Fuel Co., salt | 105 00 | |
| Milford Grain Co., salt | 210 00 | |
| Seaver's Express | 1 96 | |
| Rose Machine Shop, labor | 4 00 | |
| Chemical Corp., salt | 510 00 | |
| | <hr/> | |
| Total expended | | \$6,000 00 |

CHAPTER 81

| | | |
|--------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Town Appropriation | \$ 3,700 00 | |
| State Allotment | 10,175 00 | |
| | <hr/> | |
| Total | | \$13,876 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Labor | \$5,160 48 | |
| Town Equipment | 1,828 45 | |
| Hired Equipment | 943 18 | |
| H. A. Daniels Co. insurance | 213 03 | |
| Rosenfeld Sand & Stone Co. | 1,541 06 | |

| | | |
|--------------------------|----------|-------------|
| Trimount Bituminous | | |
| Products | 3,315 60 | |
| Corbett Concrete Pipe | | |
| Co. | 31 20 | |
| N. E. Metal Culvert Co. | 82 79 | |
| Henry J. Poirier, gravel | | |
| and bits | 727 05 | |
| Roland Temple, blasting | 7 10 | |
| Wm. H. Casey Store, | | |
| wire | 25 00 | |
| <hr/> | | |
| Total | | \$13,875 00 |
| Unexpended | | 06 |
| | | <hr/> |
| | | \$13,875 00 |

CHAPTER 90 MAINTENANCE

| | | |
|--------------------------|------------|------------|
| Town Appropriation | \$1,500 00 | |
| State Allotment | 1,500 00 | |
| County Allotment | 1,500 00 | |
| | | <hr/> |
| Total | | \$4,500 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Labor | \$1,155 40 | |
| Town Equipment | 451 40 | |
| Hired Equipment | 504 25 | |
| H. A. Daniels Co., | | |
| insurance | 35 54 | |
| Trimount Bituminous | | |
| Products | 2,010 40 | |
| Rosenfeld Sand & | | |
| Stone Co. | 312 38 | |
| H. J. Poirier | 2 50 | |
| Roland Temple | 4 56 | |

| | |
|-----------------------|------------|
| Corbett Concrete Pipe | |
| Co. | 23 52 |
| <hr/> | |
| Total expended | \$4,499 95 |
| Unexpended | 05 |
| <hr/> | |
| | \$4,500 00 |

CHAPTER 90 CONSTRUCTION

| | |
|--------------------------|------------|
| Town Appropriation | \$2,000 00 |
| State Allotment | 4,000 00 |
| County Allotment | 2,000 00 |
| <hr/> | |
| Total | \$8,000 00 |

Expended:

| | |
|--------------------------|------------|
| Labor | \$1,869 70 |
| Town Equipment | 886 00 |
| Hired Equipment | 1,967 00 |
| Henry J. Poirier, | |
| gravel and bits | 2,593 55 |
| Roland Temple, blasting | 12 37 |
| Corbett Concrete Pipe | |
| Co. | 43 68 |
| N. E. Metal Culvert Co. | 263 89 |
| Frances Morrison, gravel | 193 20 |
| Ross Bros., fence | 72 00 |
| Wm. H. Casey Store, | |
| fence | 25 00 |
| H. A. Daniels, insurance | 73 32 |
| <hr/> | |
| Total expended | \$7,999 71 |
| Unexpended | 29 |
| <hr/> | |
| | \$8,000 00 |

ROAD MACHINERY ACCOUNT

| | |
|----------------------------|------------|
| Appropriation from Road | |
| Machinery Fund | \$3,000 00 |
| Transfer December 29, 1952 | 203 57 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$3,203 57 |

Expended:

| | |
|------------------------------|----------|
| Labor | \$ 9 60 |
| Lakeside Garage, repairs | 342 75 |
| Scott White Truck Inc. | 19 27 |
| Mendon Gulf Station, | |
| supplies | 1,089 64 |
| H. A. Daniels Co., | |
| insurance | 114 47 |
| Karl Bright, insurance | 157 58 |
| Home Nat'l. Bank, | |
| truck note and interest | 1,062 50 |
| O'Grady's Service | |
| Station, oil | 125 90 |
| Rosenfeld Garage, | |
| supplies | 10 43 |
| Seaver's Express Inc. | 1 03 |
| Bowker-Hamblin Co. tire | 54 70 |
| Jesse F. White, repairs | 15 00 |
| E. F. Edson Co., | |
| supplies | 4 08 |
| H. J. Poirier, repairs | 16 50 |
| Fisk-Alden Co., parts | 4 43 |
| Henley-Kimball Co., | |
| parts | 22 47 |
| Louis Benotti, gas | 41 34 |
| Vater's Garage, | |
| inspections | 1 00 |
| So. Milford Service Sta. | 2 20 |
| Perkins-Milton Co., | |
| repairs | 82 18 |

| | | |
|---------------------------------------|-------|------------|
| Mendon Auto Salvage, repairs | 26 50 | |
| | <hr/> | |
| Total expended | | \$3,203 57 |

ROAD MACHINERY FUND

| | | |
|---|------------|------------|
| Balance January 1, 1952 | \$5,434 24 | |
| Transferred to Road Machinery Account | 3,203 57 | |
| | <hr/> | |
| Balance | | \$2,230 67 |
| Paid to Town Treasurer for use of equipment: | | |
| Chapter 81 | \$1,828 45 | |
| Chapter 90 Construction | 886 00 | |
| Chapter 90 Maintenance | 451 40 | |
| General Repairs | 38 00 | |
| Snow Removal | 1,163 00 | |
| Bridge Project | 130 00 | |
| Town of Milford, sale of plow | 300 00 | |
| Miscellaneous revenue .. | 37 50 | |
| | <hr/> | |
| Total receipts | | \$4,834 35 |
| | | <hr/> |
| Balance on hand December 31, 1952 | | \$7,065 02 |

STREET LIGHTING

| | |
|------------------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$684 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Worc. County Elec. Co. | \$684 00 |

BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE—SALARIES

| | | |
|------------------------|---------|---------|
| Appropriation | | \$45 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Harold Metcalf | \$15 00 | |
| Ernest P. Wood | 15 00 | |
| John L. Lundvall | 15 00 | |
| Total expended | | \$45 00 |

PUBLIC WELFARE—TEMPORARY AID

| | | |
|--------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Appropriation | \$6,000 00 | |
| Transferred from O. A. A. | 1,500 00 | |
| | | <hr/> |
| Total | | \$7,500 00 |

(Mendon Settlement)

| | | |
|-----------------------------|----------|------------|
| Two families in own homes | \$775 77 | |
| Four persons in own homes | 704 75 | |
| One person in Rest Home | 1,465 10 | |
| Two families in other towns | 393 30 | |
| | | <hr/> |
| | | \$3,338 92 |

(Settlement Other Towns)

| | | |
|---------------------------|----------|----------|
| One person in own home | \$854 00 | |
| Two families in own homes | 596 93 | |
| | | <hr/> |
| | | 1,450 93 |

(No settlement—chargeable to State)

| | |
|--------------------------------------|----------|
| Three families in own homes | 2,214 26 |
|--------------------------------------|----------|

(Disability Assistance)

| | | |
|-----------------------------|------------|------------|
| Two cases in own homes | 484 15 | |
| United Community Services | 10 00 | |
| | | <hr/> |
| Total expended | \$7,498 26 | |
| Unexpended | 1 74 | |
| | | <hr/> |
| | | \$7,500 00 |

Proportionate share of above expenses:

| | | |
|---|------------|------------|
| State of Massachusetts .. | \$2,214 26 | |
| Town of Milford | 1,271 27 | |
| City of Northampton | 118 41 | |
| State and Federal share of Disability Assistance | 363 11 | |
| Town of Mendon | 3,531 21 | |
| | | <hr/> |
| | | \$7,498 26 |

DISABILITY ASSISTANCE—Federal Grant

Received from Federal Government:

| | | |
|------------------------|----------|----------|
| (Direct Aid) | \$272 70 | |
| (Administration) | 6 94 | |
| | | <hr/> |
| Total | | \$279 64 |

Expended:

| | | |
|-------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| For Direct Aid | \$242 65 | |
| Balance on hand Dec. 31, 1952 | 36 99 | |
| | | <hr/> |
| | | \$279 64 |

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

| | |
|--------------------------|------------|
| Town Appropriation | \$2,000 00 |
|--------------------------|------------|

Received from Federal
Government:

| | |
|------------------------|----------|
| (Direct Aid) | 1,841 52 |
| (Administration) | 37 75 |

| | |
|-------------|-----------------|
| Total | <u>3,879 27</u> |
|-------------|-----------------|

Expended:

| | |
|----------------------|------------|
| For Direct Aid | \$2,749 72 |
| Unexpended | 1,129 55 |

| | |
|--|-------------------|
| | <u>\$3,879 27</u> |
|--|-------------------|

Summary:

| | |
|---------------------------|------------|
| Federal Govt. Share | \$1,354 05 |
| State of Mass. Share | 916 57 |
| Town of Mendon's Share | 479 10 |

| | |
|--|-------------------|
| | <u>\$2,749 72</u> |
|--|-------------------|

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

| | |
|-------------------------------|-------------|
| Town Appropriation | \$16,000 00 |
| Received from Federal Govt. . | 23,745 67 |

| | |
|--|--------------------|
| | <u>\$39,745 67</u> |
|--|--------------------|

Expended:

| | |
|--|-------------|
| For Direct Aid | \$31,307 58 |
| Transfer to Board of Public Welfare | 1,500 00 |
| Transfer to Water Dept. | 520 15 |
| Transfer to Heat & Lights—Town Buildings | 450 00 |

| | |
|------------------|-------------|
| Total | \$33,777 73 |
| Unexpended | 5,967 94 |

| | |
|--|--------------------|
| | <u>\$39,745 67</u> |
|--|--------------------|

Summary:

| | |
|---------------------------|-------------|
| Federal Govt. Share | \$14,361 74 |
| State of Massachusetts .. | 11,286 58 |
| Due from other Towns | 1,911 45 |
| Town of Mendon's Share | 3,747 81 |

\$31,307 58

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE—ADMINISTRATION

| | |
|--------------------------|----------|
| Town Appropriation | \$750 00 |
| Federal Government | 707 79 |

Total \$1,457 79

Expended:

| | |
|-------------------------|------------|
| Helen F. Irons, Welfare | |
| Worker | \$1,050 00 |
| Cahill's News Agy. | |
| supplies | 35 00 |
| Postage | 36 36 |
| Traveling expense | 21 54 |
| Hobbs & Warren Inc., | |
| supplies | 4 41 |

Total expended \$1,147 31

Unexpended 310 48

\$1,457 79

Summary:

| | |
|---------------------------|----------|
| Federal Govt. Share | \$573 66 |
| Town of Mendon's Share | 573 65 |

\$1,147 31

VETERANS' BENEFITS

| | | |
|---------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$500 00 | |
| Expended: | | |
| Aid rendered two families | \$302 84 | |
| Unexpended | 197 16 | |
| | <hr/> | \$500 00 |

ADMINISTRATION OF VETERANS' BENEFITS

| | | |
|-----------------------------|----------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$100 00 | |
| Expended: | | |
| Harold Metcalf, Agent | \$50 00 | |
| Ernest P. Wood, Agent | 50 00 | |
| | <hr/> | |
| Total expended | | \$100 00 |

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

| | | |
|----------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Appropriation | \$58,352 30 | |
| Dog Tax Refund | 487 70 | |
| | <hr/> | |
| Total | | \$58,840 00 |
| Expended: | \$58,830 90 | |
| Unexpended | 9 10 | |
| | <hr/> | \$58,840 00 |

(For detail of expenditures see School Report)

VOCATIONAL EDUCATION

| | | |
|---------------------|------------|--|
| Appropriation | \$1,000 00 | |
| Expended: | | |
| Town of Framingham, | | |
| tuition | \$ 13 80 | |

| | | |
|--------------------------------------|--------|------------|
| City of Worcester, tuition | 286 42 | |
| Transportation | 132 65 | |
| J. L. Hammett Co., supplies | 131 96 | |
| | <hr/> | |
| Total expended | | \$564 83 |
| Unexpended | | 435 17 |
| | | <hr/> |
| | | \$1,000 00 |

SCHOOL PLAYGROUND

| | | |
|--|-----------|------------|
| Appropriation | | \$2,500 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Willard Brown, Engineering services | \$ 100 00 | |
| Balance Dec. 31, 1952 | 2,400 00 | |
| | <hr/> | 2,500 00 |

SPECIAL SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM

| | | |
|------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1952 | \$ 479 31 | |
| Revenue from meals | 4,659 90 | |
| State Reimbursement | 1,746 77 | |
| From Parent-Teachers Assoc. | 25 00 | |
| | <hr/> | |
| Total | | \$6,910 98 |
| Expended: | | |
| Pay rolls | \$1,955 00 | |
| Food supplies | 4,345 34 | |
| Equipment | 6 63 | |
| Transportation charges .. | 59 24 | |

| | | |
|---------------------------|--------|------------|
| Miscellaneous expenses .. | 25 64 | |
| | <hr/> | |
| Total expended | | \$6,391 85 |
| Balance on hand Dec. 31 | | |
| 1952 | 519 13 | |
| | <hr/> | |
| | | \$6,910 98 |

TAFT PUBLIC LIBRARY

| | | |
|---------------------|----------|------------|
| Appropriation | \$700 00 | |
| Transferred from | | |
| Reserve Fund | 350 00 | |
| Total | <hr/> | \$1,050 00 |

Expended:

| | | |
|------------------------------|----------|------------|
| Carlton Goss, | | |
| Labor and Materials.... | \$350 00 | |
| American Library Assn. | 5 00 | |
| H. W. Wilson Co. | 11 80 | |
| Barney Coal Co., fuel | 91 35 | |
| Worc. Co. Elec. Co. | 11 40 | |
| The Personal Book | | |
| Shop Inc. | 90 13 | |
| Vestella M. Daniels, | | |
| Librarian | 300 00 | |
| Gaylord Bros. Inc., supplies | 11 90 | |
| J. L. Hammett Co., | | |
| filing case | 8 66 | |
| Daniel N. Barnes | | |
| magazine subscriptions | 56 43 | |
| Raymond Dudley, janitor | 100 00 | |
| Hillside Nursery | 13 00 | |
| Total expended | <hr/> | \$1,049 67 |
| Unexpended | | 33 |
| | <hr/> | \$1,050 00 |

FLETCHER LIBRARY FUND

To Personal Book Shop, Inc. \$84 05

PARK DEPARTMENT

Appropriation \$200 00

Expended:

George Johnson, labor \$128 00

M. Creasia, labor 7 00

Herbert Alger, labor 14 00

Clayton Parkinson 7 20

Lakeside Flower Shop 12 00

Total expended: \$168 20

Unexpended 31 80

\$200 00

WATER DEPARTMENT MAINTENANCE

Appropriation \$600 00

Transferred from Reserve Fund 400 00

Transferred from O.A.A Acc't 520 15

Total

\$1,520 15

Expended:

Johns Manville, pipe \$206 53

Town of Bellingham,
water 257 96

Hersey Mfg. Co., meters 101 40

Varney Bros., labor
and equipment 471 78Lloyd Nelson
labor and material 475 08George Allen,
meter reading 6 00

Postage 1 40

Total expended

\$1,520 15

SOLDIERS' AND SAILORS' GRAVES

| | |
|---------------------|---------|
| Appropriation | \$30 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Swan Dale Cemetery | |
| Association | \$30 00 |

WORCESTER COUNTY RETIREMENT SYSTEM—

EXPENSE FUND

| | |
|-------------------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$731 45 |
| Expended: | |
| Worcester County Treas. | \$731 45 |

MEMORIAL DAY CELEBRATION

| | |
|-------------------------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$200 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Sons of Union Veterans | |
| flags | \$8 00 |
| D. C. Ryan, band | 125 00 |
| Clayton Parkinson, flowers | 6 50 |
| Lakeside Flower Shop, | |
| flowers | 10 00 |
| C. C. Shattuck, supplies | 29 75 |
| Roger L. Wood Post, A.L., | |
| regalia | 19 00 |
| Total expended | \$198 25 |
| Unexpended | 1 75 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$200 00 |

INSURANCE ON TOWN BUILDINGS

| | | |
|-------------------------|------------|------------|
| Appropriation | | \$1,800 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| Donald B. Lowell, Agent | \$1,659 59 | |
| Unexpended | 140 41 | |
| | <hr/> | \$1,800 00 |

TOWN REPORTS

| | |
|----------------------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$696 00 |
| Expended: | |
| Uxbridge Printing Co. | \$696 00 |

RESERVE FUND

| | |
|---------------------------|------------|
| Appropriation | \$2,000 00 |
| Transfers: | |
| To Public Library Acc't | \$350 00 |
| To Bellingham St. Bridge | |
| Project | 110 56 |
| To Police Room | |
| Construction | 200 00 |
| To Election and Regis- | |
| trations Account | 46 07 |
| To Water Dept. Maint.. | 400 00 |
| To Interest Debt | 3 00 |
| To Town Accountant's | |
| Expense | 28 65 |
| To Treasurer's Expense .. | 67 70 |
| To Sealer of Wts. & | |
| Measures Account | 3 75 |
| To Town Hall Maint. | 86 30 |
| To Police Department | 600 00 |

| | | |
|------------------------|-------|------------|
| To Dog Officer Account | 16 50 | |
| To Tree Warden Account | 75 00 | |
| Total | _____ | \$1,987.53 |
| Unexpended | 12 47 | |
| | _____ | \$2,000 00 |

MATURING DEBT

| | | |
|-------------------------|------------|------------|
| Appropriation | | \$4,000 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| School House Addition | | |
| Loan | \$1,000 00 | |
| Fire Station Loan | 2,000 00 | |
| Water Construction Loan | 1,000 00 | |
| | | \$4,000 00 |

INTEREST ON MATURING DEBT

| | | |
|---------------------------|----------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$825 00 | |
| Transferred from Reserve | | |
| Fund | 3 00 | |
| Total | _____ | \$828 75 |
| Expended: | | |
| On Fire Station Loan | \$300 00 | |
| On Water Construction | | |
| Loan | 393 75 | |
| On School House Loan .. | 135 00 | |
| Total expended | _____ | \$828 75 |

INTEREST ON TEMPORARY LOANS

| | | |
|---------------------|----------|----------|
| Appropriation | | \$200 00 |
| Expended: | | |
| The Home Nat'l Bank | | |
| of Milford | \$112 50 | |
| Unexpended | 87 50 | |
| | _____ | \$200 00 |

REPORT OF TOWN ACCOUNTANT

December 31, 1952

RECEIPTS

General Revenue

Taxes:

Current Year:

| | |
|----------------------------|-----------|
| Poll | \$ 914 00 |
| Personal Property | 6,878 92 |
| Real Estate | 72,835 77 |
| Motor Vehicle Excise | 11,650 60 |

Previous Years:

| | |
|----------------------------|----------|
| Personal Property | 769 68 |
| Real Estate | 6,518 92 |
| Motor Vehicle Excise | 1,714 26 |

From the State:

| | |
|-----------------------|-----------|
| Corporation Tax | 7,300 02 |
| Income Tax | 17,819 10 |

Licenses and permits:

| | |
|-----------------|--------|
| Liquor | 400 00 |
| All other | 457 75 |

Grants and Gifts:

From Federal Government:

| | |
|---------------------------------|-----------|
| Old Age Assistance | 14,717 40 |
| Aid to Dependent Children | 1,081 54 |
| Disability Assistance | 279 64 |

From State:

| | |
|----------------------------|----------|
| School Aid, Chap. 70 | 2,015 00 |
| Vocational Education | 191 45 |

| | |
|------------------------------------|----------|
| High School Tuition | |
| and Transportation | 7,266 90 |
| Union Superintendency | 1,499 49 |
| Highways, Chapter 81 | 3,431 00 |
| Inspector of Animals | 75 00 |
| Meal Tax, Old Age Assistance | 1,032.60 |
| From County, Dog Licenses | 487 70 |
| Rent of Fire Tower Land | 50 00 |

Other:

| | |
|-----------------------|-------|
| Uncashed checks | 30 78 |
|-----------------------|-------|

Commercial Revenue

| | |
|--|--------|
| Collector, Certification of Municipal Lien | 1 00 |
| Town Clerk, sale of Town Annals | 12 00 |
| Town Hall Rent | 474 00 |

Protection of Persons and Property:

| | |
|--------------------------------------|-------|
| Police Dept., Town Pump damage | 38 95 |
| Wire Inspections | 59 00 |
| Sealing Fees | 22 25 |

Health and Sanitation:

| | |
|---|--------|
| State subsidies from Tuberculosis | 949 14 |
|---|--------|

Highways:

| | |
|---------------------------------------|----------|
| Chapter 90 Maintenance, State..... | 1,499 98 |
| Chapter 90 Maintenance, County | 1,499 98 |
| Chapter 90 Construction, State | 3,999 86 |
| Chapter 90 Construction, County | 1,999 93 |
| Truck and Machinery Rental | 4,834 35 |

Charities:

| | |
|--|-----------|
| Reimbursements from Individuals | 16 60 |
| Reimbursements from cities and towns | 977 24 |
| Aid to Dependent Children, State | 995 21 |
| Disability Assistance, State | 29 79 |
| Old Age Assistance, State | 11,829 71 |

| | | |
|---|--------|--------------|
| Old Age Assistance, Cities and Towns | 1,004 | 26 |
| Temporary Aid, State | 2,285 | 87 |
| State Sick Poor | 173 | 00 |
| Veterans' Services: | | |
| Reimbursement from the State | 161 | 79 |
| Schools: | | |
| Tuition, Transportation, State Wards..... | 381 | 99 |
| Tuition, Boston City Wards | 511 | 85 |
| Sale of old furniture | 25 | 00 |
| School Lunch revenue | 6,431 | 67 |
| Library Fines | 23 | 36 |
| Water Department Revenue | 1,613 | 94 |
| Interest Thayer Cemetery Fund | 5 | 00 |
| Interest on Deferred Taxes | 308 | 78 |
| Interest, Motor Vehicle Excise | 26 | 90 |
| Revenue Anticipation Loan | 15,000 | 00 |
| Agency, Trust and Investment: | | |
| Dog License Fees due County | 596 | 20 |
| Trust Fund Income | 84 | 05 |
| Federal Withholding Taxes | 5,984 | 56 |
| Retirement Fund Deductions | 960 | 03 |
| Total Receipts for 1952 | | \$224,234 76 |
| Balance January 1, 1952 | | 38,050 05 |
| | | <hr/> |
| | | \$262,284 81 |

EXPENDITURES

General Government

| | | | |
|---------------------------------|----|-----|----|
| Moderator's Salary | \$ | 25 | 00 |
| Selectmen's Salaries | | 550 | 00 |
| Selectmen's Expense | | 147 | 63 |
| Town Accountant's Salary | | 400 | 00 |
| Town Accountant's Expense | | 78 | 65 |

| | |
|---------------------------------------|----------|
| Treasurer's Salary | 700 00 |
| Treasurer's Expense | 217 70 |
| Collector's Salary | 925 00 |
| Collector's Expense | 223 01 |
| Assessors' Salaries | 700 00 |
| Assessors' Expense | 207 11 |
| Town Counsel's Salary | 100 00 |
| Town Counsel's Expense | 75 00 |
| Town Clerk's Salary | 200 00 |
| Town Clerk's Expense | 266 24 |
| Election and Registrations | 946 07 |
| Clerical Hire for Town Officers | 300 00 |
| Bonds for Town Officers | 201 00 |
| Town Hall Maintenance | 886 30 |
| Record Room Maintenance | 363 69 |
| Heat and Lights—Town Buildings | 2,449 59 |

Protection of Persons and Property

| | |
|------------------------------------|----------|
| Constable's Salary | \$ 25 00 |
| Police Department | 2,585 96 |
| Police Room Construction | 780 76 |
| Fire Department | 1,681 55 |
| Wire Inspector's Salary | 50 00 |
| Sealer of Weights & Measures | 48 75 |
| Hydrant Rental | 550 00 |
| Moth Suppression | 200 00 |
| Elm Beetle Suppression | 500 00 |
| Tree Warden | 575 00 |
| Forest Fires | 497 50 |
| Dog Officer | 91 50 |
| Civilian Defense | 71 69 |

Health and Sanitation

| | |
|---------------------------------|-------------|
| Board of Health | \$ 1,297 22 |
| Worcester County Hospital | 3,843 88 |
| Inspector of Animals | 150 00 |
| Inspector of Slaughtering | 25 00 |

Highways

| | |
|-------------------------------------|-------------|
| General Repairs | \$ 1,699 93 |
| Bellingham Street Bridge | 4,110 56 |
| Highway Machinery Maintenance | 3,203 57 |
| Snow Removal | 6,000 00 |
| Chapter 81 | 13,874 94 |
| Chapter 90 Maintenance | 4,499 95 |
| Chapter 90 Construction | 7,999 71 |
| Street Lighting | 684 00 |

Charities

| | |
|--|-----------|
| Public Welfare Salaries | \$ 45 00 |
| General Relief | 7,498 26 |
| Disability Assistance, Federal Grant | 242 65 |
| Aid to Dependent Children | 2,749 72 |
| Old Age Assistance | 31,307 58 |
| Administration of O.A.A., A.D.C. & D.A. | 1,147 31 |
| Veterans' Benefits | 302 84 |
| Administration of Veterans' Benefits | 100 00 |

Schools and Library

| | |
|----------------------------|--------------|
| School Department | \$ 58,830 90 |
| Vocational Education | 564 83 |
| School Playground | 100 00 |
| School Lunch Program | 6,391 85 |
| Taft Public Library | 1,049 67 |

Unclassified

| | |
|---|-----------|
| Park Department | \$ 168 20 |
| Memorial Day Celebration | 198 25 |
| Annuity Fund | 500 00 |
| Insurance on Town Buildings | 1,659 59 |
| Worcester County Retirement Expense Fund | 731 45 |
| Soldiers' and Sailors' Graves | 30 00 |
| Town Reports | 696 00 |
| Tax Title Foreclosure | 8 28 |

Public Service Enterprise

| | |
|------------------------|-------------|
| Water Department | \$ 1,520 15 |
|------------------------|-------------|

Interest

| | |
|--------------------------|-----------|
| On Temporary Loans | \$ 112 50 |
| On Maturing Debt | 828 75 |

Municipal Indebtedness

| | |
|----------------------------------|--------------|
| Revenue Loan | \$ 15,000 00 |
| Payment on Notes | 4,000 00 |
| State Parks & Reservations | 252 63 |

Agency, Trust and Investment

| | |
|--|-------------|
| County Tax | \$ 4,548 93 |
| Dog Licenses for County | 626 20 |
| Austin Fletcher Library Fund | 84 05 |
| Federal Withholding Taxes | 5,984 56 |
| Worcester County Retirement Deductions | 960 03 |
| Stabilization Fund | 5,000 00 |

Refunds

| | |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------|
| 1952 Real Estate Taxes | \$ 94 00 |
| Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes | 498 70 |
| Total Expenditures | ————— \$218,841 34 |
| Cash Balance December 31, 1952 | 43,443 47 |
| | ————— |
| | \$262,284 81 |

HELEN F. IRONS,

Town Accountant

TOWN OF MENDON

Balance Sheet - December 31, 1952

GENERAL ACCOUNTS

| Assets | | Liabilities and Reserves | |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|--------------------------------|----------|
| Cash: | | S. B. Taft Library Gift | \$76 00 |
| In Bank and Office | \$43,443 47 | Thayer Cemetery Fund Income | 45 06 |
| Accounts Receivable: | | Overestimates of 1952: | |
| Taxes: | | Worcester County Hospital | |
| Levy of 1951: | | Assessment | \$374 65 |
| Personal Property | \$25 00 | County Tax | 401 19 |
| Real Estate | 398 88 | | |
| Levy of 1952: | | Sale of Real Estate Fund | 775 84 |
| Personal Property | 610 06 | School Lunch Program | 700 00 |
| Real Estate | 5,875 60 | Road Machinery Fund | 519 13 |
| | | Tailings | 7,065 02 |
| | | | 47 16 |
| Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise: | | Federal Grants: | |
| Levy of 1952 | 795 52 | Aid to Dependent Children: | |
| Tax Titles | 2,519 25 | Administration | \$37 75 |
| Departmental: | | Old Age Assistance: | |
| Town Hall | \$106 00 | Assistance | 2,984 06 |
| Temporary Aid | 1,389 68 | Administration | 310 48 |
| Aid to Dependent Children | 311 23 | | |

| | | | |
|-------------------------------|----------|-----------------------------------|-------------|
| O.A.A. Recovery | 488 75 | Disability Assistance: | |
| O.A.A. Cities and Towns | 66 66 | Administration | 6 94 |
| Disability Assistance | 11 60 | Assistance | 30 05 |
| Veterans' Benefits | 69 00 | | |
| | | 2,442 92 | 3,369.28 |
| Aid to Highways: | | Appropriation Balances: | |
| State: | | Civilian Defense | \$63 95 |
| Chapter 81 | 6,744 00 | School Playground | 2,400 00 |
| Water | 87 04 | Reserve Fund—Overlay Surplus | 2,463 95 |
| Overdrafts: | | | 3,892 24 |
| A.D.C. Federal Grant | | Overlays Reserved for Abatements: | |
| Assistance | 1 00 | Levy of 1951 | \$446 35 |
| Chapter 81 | 6,743 94 | Levy of 1952 | 578 70 |
| Underestimates 1952: | | | 1,025 05 |
| State Parks and Reservations | 16 99 | Revenue Reserved Until Collected: | |
| | | Motor Vehicle and Trailer | |
| | | Excise | \$795 52 |
| | | Tax Title | 2,519 25 |
| | | Departmental | 2,442 92 |
| | | Water | 87 04 |
| | | Aid to Highways | 6,744 00 |
| | | | \$12,588 73 |
| | | Surplus Revenue | 37,136 21 |
| | | | \$69,703 67 |

DEBT ACCOUNTS

| | | |
|--------------------------------|-------------|-------------------------------|
| Net Funded or Fixed Debt | | |
| | \$34,000 00 | Fire Station Loan |
| | | Highway Equipment Loan |
| | | School Addition Loan |
| | | Water Construction Loan |
| | <hr/> | |
| | \$34,000 00 | \$10,000 00 |
| | | 2,000 00 |
| | | 5,000 00 |
| | | 17,000 00 |
| | <hr/> | |
| | | \$34,000 00 |

TRUST AND INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS

| | | | |
|-----------------------------|-------------|---|-------------|
| Trust and Investment Funds: | | | |
| Cash and Securities | \$30,801 25 | Austin B. Fletcher Library Fund | \$5,234 04 |
| | | Post-War Rehabilitation Fund | 1,239 02 |
| | | Stabilization Fund | 20,902 37 |
| | | Austin Wood Relief Fund | 1,358 26 |
| | | Nathan R. George, Jr. Relief Fund | 1,244 47 |
| | | Anna Ellis Library Fund | 615 27 |
| | | Annie E. Gaskill, Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund | 103 91 |
| | | Jos. Bates, John S. Cox and Jos. S. Cox, Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund | 103 91 |
| | <hr/> | | |
| | \$30,801 25 | | \$30,801 25 |

LIST OF JURORS

| | | |
|----------------------|------------------|---------------------|
| Chester O. Avery | Draftsman | George Street |
| Gordon R. Good | Machinist | North Avenue |
| Mildred A. Goss | Housewife | Maple Street |
| Norman H. Handley | Storekeeper | North Avenue |
| Alice H. Leonard | Housewife | Providence Street |
| Donald B. Lowell | Dairyman | North Avenue |
| Madelaine W. Mann | Housewife | Washington Street |
| Marjorie Mathewson | Coat Maker | Hartford Ave., West |
| Margaret G. Morrison | Housewife | Providence Street |
| Clayton Parkinson | Florist | Hastings Street |
| Marjorie H. Shattuck | Housewife | Elm Street |
| Marion G. Stevens | Hat worker | Main Street |
| Douglas Taylor | Carpenter | George Street |
| Fern Wagner | Tile Worker | Millville Street |
| Everett G. Watson | Sales Supervisor | Bates Street |
| Jesse F. White | Boat Dealer | Uxbridge Road |

REPORT OF TOWN TREASURER

CASH RECEIPTS

JANUARY 1, 1952—DECEMBER 31, 1952

| | | |
|-------------------------------------|--------------|--------------------|
| Cash on hand, January 1, 1952 | \$ 38,050 05 | |
| Receipts for year 1952 | 224,234 76 | |
| | | <hr/> \$262,284 81 |

| | |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Paid per Selectmen's Warrants year | |
| 1952 | \$ 218,841 34 |
| Cash balance December 31, 1952 | 43,443 47 |
| | <hr/> \$262,284 81 |

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|--------------------------------------|--------------|
| Balance on hand December 31, 1952 .. | \$ 43,443 47 |
|--------------------------------------|--------------|

| | |
|------------------------------------|--------------|
| Balance in The Home National Bank | |
| of Milford December 31, 1952 | \$ 48,611 86 |

| | |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Cash in the hands of Treasurer as of | |
| December 31, 1952 | 3,519 27 |
| | <hr/> \$ 52,131 13 |

| | |
|--|--------------------|
| Less outstanding checks as of December | |
| 31, 1952 | 8,687 66 |
| | <hr/> \$ 43,443 47 |

See Town Accountant's Report for detail of Receipts and Expenditures)

| | |
|---------------------|-------------|
| 28 Tax Titles | \$ 2,519 25 |
|---------------------|-------------|

TRUST FUND REPORTS — DECEMBER 31, 1952

AUSTIN WOOD RELIEF FUND

Dr.

| | | |
|---|----------|------------|
| To Cash in Milford Savings Bank | \$560 65 | |
| To Interest received from Milford Savings Bank | 14 80 | |
| To Cash in Worcester County Institution for Savings | 771 24 | |
| To Interest received from Worcester County Institution for Savings | 11 57 | |
| | <hr/> | \$1,358 26 |

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| | | |
|--|----------|------------|
| By Cash in Milford Savings Bank | \$575 45 | |
| By Cash in Worcester County Institution for Savings | 782 81 | |
| | <hr/> | \$1,358 26 |

U. S. DEFENSE BOND

Dr.

| | | |
|---|------------|------------|
| To one U. S. Defense Bond | \$1,000 00 | |
| To Interest received on Bond | 25 00 | |
| To Interest received previous to 1952 and on deposit in The Home National Bank of Milford | 210 85 | |
| To Interest received from The Home National Bank of Milford | 3 17 | |
| | <hr/> | \$1,239 02 |

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|---|------------|------------|
| By one U. S. Defense Bond | \$1,000 00 | |
| By Cash in The Home National Bank of Milford | 239 02 | |
| | <hr/> | \$1,239 02 |

STABILIZATION FUND

Dr.

| | | |
|---|-------------|-------------|
| To Cash in Milford Savings Bank | \$10,248 00 | |
| To Interest received from Milford Savings Bank | 165 08 | |
| To Cash in Milford Federal Savings and Loan Association | 10,229 17 | |
| To Interest received from Milford Federal Savings and Loan Association | 260 12 | |
| | <hr/> | \$20,902 37 |

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|--|-------------|-------------|
| By Cash in Milford Savings Bank | \$10,413 08 | |
| By Cash in Milford Federal Savings and Loan Association | 10,489 29 | |
| | <hr/> | \$20,902 37 |

ANNA ELLIS LIBRARY FUND

Dr.

| | | |
|---|----------|----------|
| To Cash in Milford Savings Bank | \$599 45 | |
| To Interest received from Milford Savings Bank | 15 82 | |
| | <hr/> | \$615 27 |

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| | | |
|---------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| By Cash in Milford Savings Bank | \$615 27 | |
| | <hr/> | \$615 27 |

NATHAN R. GEORGE, JR. TRUST FUND

Dr.

| | | |
|---|------------|------------|
| To Cash in Milford Savings Bank | \$1,212 45 | |
| To Interest received from Milford Savings Bank | 32 02 | |
| | <hr/> | \$1,244 47 |

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| | | |
|---------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| By Cash in Milford Savings Bank | \$1,244 47 | |
| | <hr/> | \$1,244 47 |

AUSTIN B. FLETCHER LIBRARY FUND

Dr.

| | | |
|---|------------|------------|
| To Cash in Milford Savings Bank | \$5,182 25 | |
| To Interest received from Milford Savings Bank | 135 84 | |
| | <hr/> | \$5,318 09 |

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| | | |
|---------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| By Cash in Milford Savings Bank | \$5,234 04 | |
| By two Library Orders | 84 05 | |
| | <hr/> | \$5,318 09 |

ANNIE E. GASKILL LOT — BICKNELL CEMETERY

Dr.

| | | |
|---|----------|----------|
| To Cash in Milford Savings Bank | \$101 25 | |
| To Interest received from Milford Savings Bank | 2 66 | |
| | <hr/> | \$103 91 |

JOSEPH S. COX, JOSEPH BATES AND JOHN S. COX
LOTS — BICKNELL CEMETERY

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| | | |
|---------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| By Cash in Milford Savings Bank | \$103 91 | |
| | <hr/> | \$103 91 |

COLLECTOR'S REPORT

1952

1950 Personal Property Taxes

Dr.

| | | |
|-------------------------------------|---------|---------|
| Taxes Outstanding an. 1, 1952 | \$84 18 | |
| Interest | 5 64 | |
| | _____ | \$89 82 |

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|----------------------|---------|---------|
| Paid Treasurer | \$89 82 | |
| Uncollected | 00 | |
| | _____ | \$89 82 |

1950 Real Estate Taxes

Dr.

| | | |
|--------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Taxes Outstanding Jan. 1, 1952 | \$355 47 | |
| Interest | 8 95 | |
| | _____ | \$364 42 |

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|----------------------|----------|----------|
| Paid Treasurer | \$359 82 | |
| Abated | 4 60 | |
| Uncollected | 00 | |
| | _____ | \$364 42 |

1951 Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes

Dr.

| | | |
|---|------------|------------|
| Taxes Outstanding Jan. 1, 1952 including Taxes committed Jan. 2, 1952 and Jan. 17, 1952 | \$1,890 87 | |
| Correcting error in total of 4th Comm. .. | 09 | |
| Interest | 15 46 | |
| | <hr/> | \$1,906 42 |

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|----------------------|------------|------------|
| Paid Treasurer | \$1,729 72 | |
| Abated | 176 70 | |
| Uncollected | 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$1,906 42 |

1951 Personal Property Taxes

Dr.

| | | |
|--------------------------------------|--------|----------|
| Taxes Outstanding Jan. 1, 1952 | 763 00 | |
| Interest | 22 80 | |
| | <hr/> | \$785 80 |

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|----------------------|----------|----------|
| Paid Treasurer | \$708 30 | |
| Abated | 52 50 | |
| Uncollected | 25 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$785 80 |

1951 Real Estate Taxes

Dr.

| | | |
|--------------------------------------|------------|------------------|
| Taxes Outstanding Jan. 1, 1952 | \$6,571 93 | |
| Interest | 210 56 | |
| | | <hr/> \$6,782 49 |

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|----------------------|------------|------------------|
| Paid Treasurer | \$6,378 61 | |
| Abated | 5 00 | |
| Uncollected | 398 88 | |
| | | <hr/> \$6,782 49 |

1952 Poll Taxes

Dr.

| | | |
|------------------------|------------|------------------|
| Taxes Committed | \$1,088 00 | |
| Interest | 1 26 | |
| Charges and Fees | 21 35 | |
| | | <hr/> \$1,110 61 |

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|----------------------|----------|------------------|
| Paid Treasurer | \$936 61 | |
| Abated | 174 00 | |
| Uncollected | 00 | |
| | | <hr/> \$1,110 61 |

1952 Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes

Dr.

| | | |
|-----------------------------|-------------|-------------------|
| Total Taxes Committed | \$12,770 57 | |
| Interest | 11 44 | |
| | | <hr/> \$12,782 01 |

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|----------------------|-------------|-------------------|
| Paid Treasurer | \$11,662 04 | |
| Abated | 324 45 | |
| Uncollected | 795 52 | |
| | | <hr/> \$12,782 01 |

1952 Personal Property Taxes

Dr.

| | | |
|-----------------------|------------|------------------|
| Taxes Committed | \$7,488 98 | |
| Interest | 86 | |
| | | <hr/> \$7,489 84 |

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|----------------------|------------|------------------|
| Paid Treasurer | \$6,879 78 | |
| Uncollected | 610 06 | |
| | | <hr/> \$7,489 84 |

1952 Real Estate Taxes

Dr.

| | | |
|-----------------------|-------------|-------------------|
| Taxes Committed | \$80,738 01 | |
| Interest | 37 36 | |
| | | <hr/> \$80,775 37 |

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|-----------------------------------|-------------|-------------------|
| Paid Treasurer | \$72,873 13 | |
| Abated | 1,775 66 | |
| Subsequent Tax Title Credit | 250 98 | |
| Uncollected | 5,875 60 | |
| | | <hr/> \$80,775 37 |

Tax Refunds for 1952

| | | |
|---------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| 1951 Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes | \$169 67 | |
| 1952 Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes | 329 03 | |
| 1952 Real Estate Taxes | 94 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$592 70 |

Dr.

Rackeman, Sawyer and Brewster for

| | | |
|-------------------------------------|--------|--------|
| Certificate of Municipal Lien | \$1 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$1 00 |

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|----------------------|--------|--------|
| Paid Treasurer | \$1 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$1 00 |

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR P. DALTON

Collector of Taxes

January 1, 1953

ASSESSORS' REPORT

The Assessors' Recapitulation Sheet and Table of Aggregates
is given below:

RECAPITULATION 1952

Town Appropriations:

| | | |
|--------------------------------|-----------|-------------------|
| Voted since 1951 Tax Rate | | |
| was fixed | \$146,088 | 20 |
| State Taxes 1952 | 235 | 64 |
| County Taxes 1952 | 11,006 | 75 |
| Overlay for 1952 | 2,622 | 36 |
| Gross Amount to be raised | <hr/> | \$159,952 95 |
| Estimated Receipts | \$62,036 | 28 |
| Available Funds | 8,770 | 18 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> 70,806 46 |
| | | |
| Net amount raised on Polls and | | |
| Property Taxes | | \$89,146 49 |
| 542 Poll Taxes at \$2.00 | \$1,084 | 00 |
| Personal Property | 7,488 | 98 |
| Real Estate | 80,573 | 51 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> \$89,146 49 |

AGGREGATES 1952

| | |
|--------------------------------|-----|
| Number of Assessments on | |
| Real Estate | 695 |
| Number of Assessments on | |
| Personal Estate | 78 |
| Number of Polls Assessed | 542 |

Value of Assessed Personal Estate:

| | |
|--|--------------------|
| Stock-in-trade | \$8,200 00 |
| Machinery | 79,500 00 |
| Livestock | 65,340 00 |
| All other tangible Personal Prop. .. | 6,300 00 |
| Total value of Assessed Personal Estate | ————— \$159,340 00 |

Value of Assessed Real Estate:

| | |
|---|--------------------|
| Land exclusive of buildings | \$347,265 00 |
| Buildings exclusive of land | 1,367,065 00 |
| Total value of Assessed Real Estate | ————— 1,714,330 00 |

| | |
|---|-------------------|
| Total valuation of Assessed Estate | \$1,873,670 00 |
| Tax on Personal Estate | \$7,488 98 |
| Tax on Real Estate | 80,573 51 |
| Tax on Polls | 1,084 00 |
| Total | ————— \$89,146 49 |
| Rate of Tax per \$1,000 | \$47 00 |

Number of Livestock Assessed:

| | |
|-------------------------|-------|
| Horses | 21 |
| Cows | 552 |
| Other Neat Cattle | 65 |
| Swine | 9 |
| Fowl | 5,680 |
| All other | 15 |

Number of Dwelling

| | |
|-----------------------|-----|
| Houses Assessed | 569 |
|-----------------------|-----|

Number of Acres of

| | |
|---------------------|--------|
| Land Assessed | 10,761 |
|---------------------|--------|

MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES

Committed to Collector:

| | | |
|-----------------------------------|------------|-------------|
| Vehicles registered in 1951 | \$1,369 65 | |
| Vehicles registered in 1952 | 12,770 57 | |
| Total | ————— | \$14,140 22 |

MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES ABATED

| | | |
|------------------------|----------|----------|
| 1951 Taxes | \$176 70 | |
| 1952 Taxes | 324 45 | |
| Total abatements | ————— | \$501 15 |

OVERLAY ACCOUNT 1952

| | | |
|-----------------------|------------|--|
| 1952 Overlay | \$2,622 36 | |
| 1952 Abatements | 2,043 66 | |

Respectfully submitted,

DONALD B. LOWELL

D. KINSLEY BARNES

CARL M. TAFT

Board of Assessors

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

1952

DOGS LICENSED IN 1952

| | | |
|---|----------|----------|
| 160 Males at \$2.00 each | \$320 00 | |
| 27 Females at \$5.00 each | 135 00 | |
| 69 Spayed Females at \$2.00 each | 138 00 | |
| 5 \$10.00 Kennel Licenses | 50 00 | |
| | | <hr/> |
| | | \$643 00 |
| Less Clerk's Fees: 261 licenses at 20c | | 52 20 |
| | | <hr/> |
| Cash paid Town Treasurer as per | | |
| monthly statements | | \$590 80 |

Again I must give much credit to our Dog Officer Raymond Miller for his efforts in collecting delinquent dog licenses in 1952.

Attention is called to the fact that all dogs *three* months old or more must be licensed at the Town Clerk's Office on or before April 1, 1953. No bills are sent for this tax, so please co-operate by paying your Dog License promptly. Dog owners should realize that the Dog Refund is added to the General School Fund, and should be more prompt in paying this tax.

SPORTING LICENSES ISSUED FROM
JANUARY 1, 1952 TO DECEMBER 31, 1952

133 Resident Citizen Fishing
99 Resident Citizen Hunting

| | |
|---|------------|
| 86 Resident Citizen Sporting | |
| 30 Resident Citizen Minor Fishing | |
| 43 Resident Citizen Female Fishing | |
| 3 Resident Citizen Trapping | |
| 3 Special Non-resident Fishing | |
| 5 Non-resident Citizen Fishing | |
| 6 Resident Alien Fishing | |
| 1 Non-resident Citizen Hunting | |
| 1 Non-resident Citizen Sporting | |
| 3 Duplicate licenses | |
| 1 Non-resident Military Sporting | |
| 12 Resident Citizen Sporting—Free | |
| 6 Resident Citizen Military—Free | |
| 3 Resident Citizen Fishing—Free | |
| - Total amount received for licenses | \$1,488 00 |
| Less amount retained for fees—411 at 25c..... | 102 75 |
| | <hr/> |
| Amount sent to the Division of Fisheries and | . |
| Game as per monthly statements | \$1,385 25 |

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN 1952

| Date of Birth 1952 | | Name of Child | Name of Parents with Maiden Name of Mother |
|-----------------------|----|----------------------------|---|
| Jan. | 1 | Nancy Maria Tinio | Salvatore and Nancy Mencarelli |
| | 6 | Holly Gail Holmes | Edward S. and Mabel Buckland |
| | 24 | Jean Mary Nolet | Adelard J. and Jean A. LaBossiere |
| | 24 | Joan Mary Nolet | Adelard J. and Jean A. LaBossiere |
| | 25 | Dennis Edward Partridge | Robert and Mildred Junkins |
| Feb. | 1 | Patricia Agnes Davenport | Dwight J. and Marion A. Gorman |
| | 10 | Sherry Ellen Butler | Gordon V. and Dorothy P. Bracci |
| | 21 | Sandra Florence Roy | Arthur and Virginia E. Longton |
| | 23 | Catherine Anne Roper | Lawrence F. and Theresa C. White |
| | 26 | Denise Mary Taylor | Kenneth and Lois Wagner |
| Mar. | 9 | Donna Ruth Kearsley | Donald W. and Ruth Dalton |
| | 13 | John Michael Magliocca | E. John and Viola M. Brenna |
| | 19 | Richard Arthur Robinson | Lawrence and Marjorie Kell |
| | 20 | Sandra Kay McCallum | Fred E. and Winsel Hilburn |
| | 25 | Theresa Clara Cresia | Nicholas L. and Theresa Merolli |
| Apr. | 28 | Vicki Dona Bouchard | Ernest J. A. and Frances Wojnowski |
| | 13 | James George Hackenson | Robert H. and Helen Charge |
| | 20 | Scott Rawson Phillips | John P. and Stacia Adamski |
| | 28 | Billie Jean Simpson | James and Alice Anderson |
| | 29 | Melanie Craddock | Hugh and Dorothy Chapin |
| May | 2 | Peter Holmes Robinson | John M. and Shirley Holmes |
| | 17 | Amy Mather Fitzgerald | Chester F. and Hazel Nelson |
| | 26 | Michael Kendrick Flanagan | James P. and Claire Power |
| | 28 | Ronald Keith Youngsma | Harvey J. and Anna Berghuis |
| June | 8 | Robert Jeffrey Hensel | William T. and Anne T. Bosma |
| | 8 | Arthur Douglas Paddock | Arthur F. and Laurita Phipps |
| | 9 | Bonnie June Hart | John J. and Margaret Seay |
| | 10 | Judith Marie Kraft | Steven S. and Florence Noyes |
| | 10 | Linda Jane Auty | William L. and Mary Whitney |
| July | 14 | Susan DelSignore | Alfred and Jean Creamer |
| | 19 | Edward Allan Gardner | Edward T. and Marilyn Beal |
| | 29 | Richard Philip Carlson | Roland L. and Marjorie Boyd |
| | 9 | Lorraine Irene Round | Herbert and Pauline Morency |
| | 11 | Donna Marie Dudley | Raymond C. and Martha Thompson |
| Aug. | 11 | John Francis Kloth | Victor V. and Adele Monnier |
| | 27 | Rodney Oliver Rondeau | Edward J. and Jane A. Hetherington |
| Sept. | 1 | Louis Andrew Wiersma | Arthur A. and Mary A. Venhuizen |
| Oct. | 1 | Larry Peter Wiersma | Harry and Ethel Roorda |
| | 5 | Barbara Lee Bennett | Robert H. and Marjorie Bowen |
| | 11 | Beverly Jeanne Rondeau | William and Ellen Simmons |
| | 16 | Mary Louise Gaskill | John and Dorothy Murray |
| | 24 | Stephen George Daige | George A. Jr. and Gladys L. Care |
| Nov. | 13 | James Richard Vander Sluis | Robert and Elizabeth Heerd |
| Dec. | 6 | Victoria Maria Benotti | Louis W. and E. Louise Morey |
| | 12 | Paul Andrew Kempton | Donald and Shirley Wright |
| | 18 | Bruce Douglas Harding | Phillip and Beverly Taft |

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN 1952

| Date of Marriage 1952 | Place of Marriage | Names | Residence |
|-----------------------------|----------------------|--|-------------------------------|
| Jan. 5 | Milford, Mass. | Earle W. Gaskill Margaret A. McCracken Gaskill | Mendon Milford |
| Feb. 2 | Barnstable, Mass. | Henry A. Marsolini Maude E. Stusee Coe | Mendon Mendon |
| 14 | Worcester | Merrill R. Bracci, Jr. Carman Segovia | Mendon San Antonio, Texas |
| Mar. 27 | Northbridge | Dale Wayne Kuiper Gertrude Oppewal | Grand Rapids, Mich. Mendon |
| Apr. 19 | Milford | Paul Peter Rossetti Gertrude Ann Doherty | Mendon Milford |
| May 3 | Hopedale | Herbert Lee Johnson Margaret Catherine Desmarais | Hopkinton Mendon |
| 10 | Worcester | Ernest S. Thomas Mary Louise Lebaire | Mendon Worcester |
| 10 | Milford | Charles C. Salvia Helen M. Auty | Milford Mendon |
| 24 | Brighton | Edward J. Gray Rose M. Petersen | Mendon Boston |
| June 21 | Hopedale | John J. Pagnelli Irene A. Rossetti | Milford Mendon |
| 21 | Mendon | John S. Hogarth, Jr. Gloria Mae Mantoni | Mendon Mendon |
| July 13 | Mendon | Robert M. Adams Florence S. Adams | Uxbridge Uxbridge |
| Aug. 9 | Mendon | Terrance D. Munhall Lucille Slotnick | Mendon Norfolk, Mass. |
| Sept. 1 | Hopedale | Leonel U. Geoffroy Doris H. Martin | Pawtucket, R. I. Mendon |
| 12 | Mendon | Arthur W. Jones Doris I. Stanley | Uxbridge West Stockbridge |
| Oct. 4 | Hopedale | Edmond Boisvert Cecile Lamothe | Woonsocket, R. I. Mendon |
| 10 | Uxbridge | William L. Hutchinson Grace Wood Gaskell | Mendon Mendon |
| Nov. 8 | Mendon | Ralph A. Green Ruth L. T. Whitcomb | Spencer, Mass. Northbridge |

DEATHS REGISTERED IN 1952

| Date of Death 1952 | Name | Y | Age M | D | Cause of Death |
|-----------------------|---------------------|----|----------|----|------------------------------------|
| Jan. | Primo F. Bonati | 59 | 6 | 0 | Pulmonary Infarction |
| | Andrew C. Henry | 85 | 0 | 0 | Coronary Occlusion |
| | Dale Colby | | 1 | 4 | Polycystic Kidneys |
| Feb. | Silas Henry Dudley | 42 | 7 | 9 | Cancer of Lung and Lymphatic Gland |
| | William F. Logee | 74 | 11 | 4 | Coronary Thrombosis |
| | Edward Wilson | 75 | 6 | 3 | Cerebral Hemorrhage |
| | Eva H. Wilkinson | 75 | 1 | 1 | Generalized Arteriosclerosis |
| | George F. Simmons | 62 | 6 | 2 | Diverticula of sigmoid |
| Mar. | Marion Lancour | 52 | 0 | 0 | Cancer of bladder |
| June | Daniel Morrison | 85 | 0 | 21 | Cerebral hemorrhage |
| | Nina Marion Burr | 61 | 9 | 29 | Carcinoma of left adrenal |
| | Lillian M. Irons | 77 | 9 | 0 | Arterio sclerotic Heart Disease |
| July | John F. Kerkhof | 49 | 4 | 15 | Coronary Thrombosis |
| Aug. | Henry F. Campbell | 32 | 3 | 18 | Coronary Occlusion |
| | James C. Cram | 67 | 0 | 0 | Cerebral Hemorrhage |
| | Louis R. Hickmott | 78 | 6 | 6 | Arteriosclerotic Heart Disease |
| | Joanna Grace Lowell | 80 | 4 | 5 | Myocardial Infarction |
| | Lester E. Hodgkins | 53 | 11 | 24 | Coronary Thrombosis |
| Sept. | Ellen C. Barry | 92 | 1 | 7 | Generalized Arteriosclerosis |
| | Lynan H. Sweet | 84 | 0 | 13 | Coronary Thrombosis |
| Nov. | Almira W. Lilley | 73 | 7 | 4 | Coronary Thrombosis |

Parents and others are requested to carefully examine the above lists and if any errors or omissions are discovered report them at once to the town clerk, that the record may be corrected, as it is of importance that the records of Vital Statistics should be complete.

GENERAL LAWS, CHAPTER 46, SECTION 6.

Parents, within forty days after the birth of a child, and every householder, within forty days after a birth in his house, shall cause notice thereof to be given to the clerk of the town where such child is born * * *

NOTICE

SOME OF THE MANY

REASONS WHY BIRTHS SHOULD BE RECORDED

To establish identity.

To prove nationality.

To prove legitimacy.

To show when the child has the right to enter school.

To show when the child has the right to seek employment under the child labor law.

To establish the right of inheritance to property.

To establish liability to military duty, as well as exemption therefrom.

To establish age and citizenship in order to vote.

To qualify to hold title to, and to buy or sell real estate.

To establish the right to hold public office.

To prove the age at which the marriage contract may be entered into.

To prove age to determine validity of a contract entered into by an alleged minor.

To prove age for Old Age Assistance.

To prove age so as to have the right to take Civil Service Examinations.

Parents be sure to record the birth of your child with given name in full.

Your co-operation to the end that all births may be properly recorded will be greatly appreciated.

Parents will please return the supplemental birth report sent them by the Clerk, even though they have received one from the Clerk of the town in which the child was born. The corrections are not forwarded to the Mendon Town Clerk.

Blanks for the return of all Vital records can be obtained from the Town Clerk.

Respectfully submitted,

ALBERT S. COLEMAN,

Town Clerk.

REPORT OF FIRE DEPARTMENT

December 31, 1952

To the Selectmen of Mendon,

Gentlemen:

The Fire Department answered 26 alarms in 1952.

| | |
|--------------------|----------------|
| 5 Chimney Fires | 1 Garage Fire |
| 3 Oil burner Fires | 2 Smoke Scares |
| 2 Dwelling Fires | 1 False Alarm |

1 call, when wires were crossed between light pole and house causing short circuit. 11 Fires set by boys Fourth of July and Halloween.

Pumped out ten wells; pumped water at Bellingham St. while Highway Department made and filled forms at new bridge. Pumped water into steam boiler during dry spell.

After answering 2 alarms October 22 and 5 October 23, it was decided to put five men on at the Fire Station every night until Halloween. This proved to be worth while. Where as it cost the Town twenty-five dollars each night for eight nights and four alarms were answered, it was not as expensive as the fifty-eight dollars it cost October 23rd to answer five alarms.

The Firemen held the "night-before-the-fourth" parade and entertainment which was well attended. The soap box derby was omitted this year for lack of interest.

The Firemen decorated the Fire Station and played Christmas carols over a loud speaker, and with the Grange lit the tree on Founders Park at Christmas.

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD F. LOWELL,

Fire Chief.

The Forest Fire Department answered 16 alarms in 1952, burning approximately 11 acres of grass and 4 acres of brush. Six were started from incinerators, one from chimney, three from burning rubbish, one from glass jug, one roadside fire, one set by boys and three started from Town Dump.

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD F. LOWELL,

Fire Warden.

REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

1952

| | |
|--|------|
| Complaints received and answered | 182 |
| Accidents investigated | 34 |
| Persons injured | 21 |
| Persons admitted to Hospital | 12 |
| Arrests made | 12 |
| Summons issued | 19 |
| Summons served | 10 |
| Warrants issued | 16 |
| Warrants served | 6 |
| Summons served for out of Town Police | 14 |
| Warrants served for out of Town Police | 3 |
| Hours patrolling | 1194 |
| Miles covered patrolling | 2788 |
| Miles covered patrolling with School Bus | 422 |
| Hours patrolling with School Bus | 31 |
| Stolen cars recovered | 3 |
| Stolen bicycles recovered | 2 |
| Breaking and entering cases investigated | 17 |
| Court cases | 19 |

| | |
|---|-----|
| Bicycles inspected | 132 |
| Bicycle plates issued | 64 |
| Motor vehicle transfer forms issued | 59 |

The complaints that were received and answered this past year were more than double those of 1951.

There was a decrease in accidents, being 34 as compared to 47 the previous year. This reduction was due to the patrolling of the highways during the busy weekends and holidays, as recommended by the Registrar of Motor Vehicles, Rudolph F. King.

The Registry of Motor Vehicles suspended 46 licenses and issued 32 warning letters as recommended by me during the year. There were 129 motor vehicle violations reported.

My recommendations for the coming year would be to have an Officer on duty every evening from 7:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. during the Summer months. This would tend to reduce the speeding which was the cause of 60% of the accidents. And 90% of the accidents occurred during these hours. This arrangement would also tend to eliminate some of the petty larceny which might occur. Furthermore, the Officer on duty would be able to spot fires and be available for traffic duty in connection therewith, should the need arise. A system could be arranged whereby the Chief of Police or any Officer of this department would know where to find the Officer on duty, and direct him to any disturbance or accident that might occur.

This is the first year that the Police Department has had rooms for its use. These were made available with the permission of the Selectmen to use a lower portion of the Town Hall. The Finance Committee approved the sum of six hundred

dollars for the renovation of this part of the building for the Police Department. At the annual Town Meeting, the voters very generously appropriated this amount, making it possible to proceed with the plans for a Police Station.

We now have two rooms completed and a third one partially done. All of the Officers donated their time in order to accomplish this work and many local contractors donated material. Later in the year, the Finance Committee transferred the sum of two hundred dollars from the Reserve Fund. This was used for toilet facilities in the room that is not yet completed. With a small appropriation to complete this other room, we will have a Police Station that will be an asset to the Town and of which the Police Department may feel very proud. The public is invited to inspect these rooms at any time there is an Officer on duty.

At the present time the Station is open from seven until nine every evening. The Officers that are on duty during these hours are giving their time. This donated time amounts to a yearly saving to the Town of \$910.00. Many townspeople have taken advantage of these hours in which to obtain Motor Vehicle Transfer forms, accident reports, license forms etc.

I would like to thank the Board of Selectmen and the Finance Committee for their cooperation. Also many thanks go to Carlton L. Goss, E. L. Sabatinelli and Sons, Rosenfeld Sand and Stone Co., and all others who donated time and material, making it possible to have this Station.

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD C. BARROWS,

Chief of Police

REPORT OF SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

| | | |
|---|--|---------|
| Scales under 100 lbs., 10 at 50c | \$5 00 | |
| Scales over 100 lbs., 2 at \$1.00 | 2 00 | |
| Gasolene Pumps, 10 at \$1.00 | 10 00 | |
| Grease Pumps, 5 at \$1.00 | 5 00 | |
| Kerosene Pumps, 1 at 25c | 25 | |
| | <hr style="width: 10%; display: inline-block; vertical-align: middle;"/> | \$22 25 |

Fees and adjusting charges authorized by Section 56 G.L.
Ch. 98 as amended by Ch. 34, Acts of 1949.

I have collected \$22.25 for sealing fees and have turned
this amount over to the Town Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,

RAYMOND A. MILLER,

Scaler

REPORT OF DOG OFFICER

I hereby submit a list of the deceased Dogs and Cats disposed of by me during 1952:

| | |
|---|---|
| Feb. 10, Millville Street, 1 Dog | \$2 00 |
| Feb. 18, Hartford Ave., East 1 Dog | 2 00 |
| March 30, Uxbridge Road, 1 Cat | 2 00 |
| April 6, Washington Street, 1 Cat | 2 00 |
| April 18, Providence Street, 1 Cat | 2 00 |
| June 12, Milford Street, 1 Dog | 2 00 |
| Aug. 24 George Street, 1 Cat | 2 00 |
| Oct. 21, Blackstone Street, 1 Cat | 2 00 |
| Oct. 27, Hartford Ave., West, 1 Cat | 2 00 |
| Oct. 28, Hartford Ave., West, 1 Cat | 2 00 |
| Nov. 3, Hartford Ave., West, 4 Cats | 2 00 |
| | <hr style="width: 20%; margin-left: auto; margin-right: 0;"/> \$22 00 |

Respectfully submitted,

RAYMOND A. MILLER,

Dog Officer

REPORT OF WIRING INSPECTOR

| | |
|-------------------------------------|---------|
| Number of certificates issued | 40 |
| Value of Certificates issued | \$82 00 |

I have collected and turned over to the Town Treasurer \$82.00 for electrical inspections.

Respectfully submitted,

WALTER J. CHANNING,

Inspector of Wires

REPORT OF THE HIGHWAY SURVEYOR

To the Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

I submit the following report of work done on the Town roads during 1952.

Chapter 81

There were 22,850 gallons of tar and asphalt applied to roads under this Chapter and 941 yards of gravel applied to the dirt roads.

Part of North Avenue, from the High School to the Blood property, was honed and improved very much. Main Street was also honed and improved from the Monument to George Street.

The bad corner on Pleasant Street near Asylum Street was cut back, making it more passable for the school bus and also better for the removal of snow. Considerable ledge was removed from Thornton Street; some ledge was also removed on Powers Road.

Brush was cut on all Chapter 81 roads.

Chapter 90 Maintenance

13,861 gallons of oil and tar were applied on these roads. About 300 feet of new drainage was installed on North Avenue, and some large trees which were too near the road were removed. This work has eliminated a very icy spot at this point. 4,000 feet of road was also honed on North Avenue.

Brush was cut on all Chapter 90 Roads.

Chapter 90 Construction

New construction was on Providence Street. The bad corner near the residence of Walter Yanski was cut back considerably. We used 4,911 yards of gravel and fill in this cut. There was also 96 feet of new drainage installed.

Bellingham Street Bridge

This project was completed except for the top cover of asphalt. It is necessary for the road to settle until Spring because of the deep gravel fill. We used about 35 yards of concrete in the construction of this bridge, which was built to specifications called for by the State Highway Engineers.

The new construction for 1953 will start at the residence of Dr. Ashkins and continue to the Clough residence, connecting with the North end of the work done during 1952.

I wish to thank the Board of Selectmen, the Townspeople and the State and County Engineers for their cooperation and assistance during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM R. BOWEN,

Highway Surveyor

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS

The East Mendon Water System which has been in use in that section of the Town since the latter part of 1947, has a total of 48 takers receiving service and 11 hydrants available. There will be additional services installed as of 1953.

These additional services will make a substantial increase in water revenue for the Town as well as revenue from property taxes.

Respectfully submitted,

EVERETT G. WATSON

FRANKLIN E. GOODNOW

DONATO F. LEONE

Water Commissioners

SEVENTY-SECOND ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TAFT PUBLIC LIBRARY

The Trustees of the Taft Public Library submit the report of the Librarian, Financial Report, and Trustees' Report for the year ending December 31, 1952.

The death of Miss Nina Burr, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, occurred June 8, 1952. Miss Burr had been a member of the Board of Trustees for several years and had served as chairman since 1950. She was very much interested in the work of the Library and had been of great assistance, especially in the selection of books. Her place and contribution to library business will be greatly missed.

Mrs. Vestella M. Daniels has been appointed by the Board of Selectmen to serve as a member of the Trustees.

By means of funds received from a transfer from the emergency account, very necessary repairs have been made in the tower of the library building. The tower roof has been shingled and a metal covering has been installed in the open platform section of the tower, together with repairs to the railing and flashing.

By vote of the Town at a special town meeting held December 29, 1952 a motion was carried to accept a gift of five hundred dollars from Mrs. Emma Kinsley in memory of her

husband, Mr. Frederic M. Kinsley, and to use the funds for the improvement of the Library. The Trustees plan to install a new system of lighting throughout the building.

Your attention is called to the report of the Librarian, Mrs. Vestella M. Daniels. The Trustees and the patrons of the Library appreciate the sincere and earnest service of Mrs. Daniels and her assistants.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY P. CLOUGH,
Secretary
Trustees Taft Public Library

1952 LIBRARY REPORT

To the Trustees of Taft Public Library:

The circulation for the year (100 days) was 4,400: the largest number given out in one day, 94; the average, 44. Circulation by classes was as follows:—Fiction, 2,029; Juvenile, 1,281; Magazines, 520; Biography, 195; Travel, 64; History, 72; Literature, 38; Fine Arts, 50; Science and all others, 151.

New books added to the Library by the Town, 60 and by the Fletcher Fund, 35; making a total of 95. Also, 43 books were given to the Library, for which grateful appreciation goes to Mrs. Mabel Griffin, Mrs. Viola Barnes, Mrs. E. C. Nelson, Mrs. George Smith, Miss Jane Avery, Mrs. Stella Robinson and Mrs.

Edna Brown. Books withdrawn for the Library because worn out or obsolete number 200; leaving approximately 10,615 volumes in the Library.

The following magazines are available at the Library; American, American Home, Atlantic Monthly, Better Homes and Gardens, Boys Life, Colliers, Good Housekeeping, Ladies Home Journal, Life, McCalls, National Geographic, Popular Mechanics, Readers Digest, Red Book, Saturday Evening Post, Time and Womans Home Companion. Fines collected during the year amounted to \$23.36, which was turned over to the Town Treasurer.

Miss Jane Avery and Miss Barbara Rogers have been high school assistants this year. Miss Avery conducted the Story Hour in August. National Art Week was observed with an Exhibition of Drawings from the elementary grades arranged by Miss Jane Coleman, Art Supervisor.

VESTELLA M. DANIELS,

Librarian

ANNUAL REPORT

of the

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

and

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

of the

TOWN OF MENDON

MASSACHUSETTS

for the

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1952

SCHOOL DIRECTORY 1952-1953

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

| | |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------|
| Gordon R. Good, Chairman | Term Expires 1954 |
| Richard F. Harding | Term Expires 1955 |
| Herbert F. Bowen, Secretary | Term Expires 1953 |

Regular meetings are held at the Center School building on the fourth Thursday of each month at 7:30 P. M.

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS—PERCY L. ROWE, B. S. E., Ed. M.

The Superintendent may be met every Tuesday and Wednesday at the Mendon High School building or by appointment.

Office—Center School, Bellingham Center

Office Hours—4:00 P. M. to 5:00 P. M. on School days.

Telephone, Milford 787-M4

SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

Donald Allain, M.D. Telephone, Milford 1851-W

SCHOOL NURSE

Grace Moran Milford District Nursing Association

SCHOOL CUSTODIAN

Raymond Barrows Mendon, Mass.

TRANSPORTATION AGENTS

Harold C. Barrows Mendon, Mass.

Jesse F. White Mendon, Mass.

ATTENDANCE OFFICER

Harold C. Barrows Mendon, Mass.

TEACHERS

| Name | Subject or Grade | Preparation | Degree or Years | Years in Town |
|----------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------|------------------|
| Henry P. Clough, Principal | Algebra, French | Dartmouth College and | B.S. | Twenty-fifth |
| Raymond F. Biedrzycki | Geometry, Geography | New Hampshire University | Ed.M. | |
| Mary C. McCormack | Mathematics, Science | Rhode Island State | B.S. | Seventh |
| Mildred White | Commercial Ed. | Regis College | B.S. | Eighth |
| | Home Economics | | | |
| Doris O'Neill | Social Science | Framingham State Tea. | B.S.E. | First |
| Virginia Mayo | English, Latin | Worcester State Tea. | B.S.E. | Fifth |
| Rita Bishop | Grade 6 | Bridgewater State Tea. | B.S.E. | Ninth |
| Dorothy L. Stanas | Grade 5 | Framingham State Tea. | Two | Second |
| Helen Jacques | Grade 4 | Worcester State Tea. | B.S.E. | Third |
| Grace Hutchinson | Grade 3 | Lyndon State Tea. | B.S. | First |
| Bertha Hammann | Grade 2 | Framingham State Tea. | Two | Fourteenth |
| | Grade 1 | Rhode Island College | Two and one-half | Seventh |
| Louise Benotti (Resigned) | Home Economics | Simmons College | B.S. | Fifth |
| | Social Science | | | |
| Barbara Seaver (Resigned) | Grade 3 | Framingham State Tea. | B.S.E. | Seventh |
| SUPERVISORS | | | | |
| Christine Wilson | Music | N. E. Conservatory of Music | Diploma 3 Years | Fifth |
| William L. Rinehart | Handwriting | University of Pittsburgh | M.A. | Fifth |
| E. Jane Coleman | Art, Mechanical Drawing | Mass. School of Art | B.S.E. | First |

SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR PERIOD

JANUARY, 1953 TO JUNE, 1954

HIGH SCHOOL

Open January 5, 1953, Close February 20, 1953

Open March 2, 1953, Close April 17, 1953

Open April 27, 1953, Close June 19, 1953

SUMMER VACATION

Open September 9, 1953, Close December 23, 1953

Open January 4, 1954, Close February 19, 1954

Open March 1, 1954, Close April 16, 1954

Open April 26, 1954, Close June 25, 1954

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Same as High School except:

Close June 12, 1953

Close June 18, 1954

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

Columbus Day Observance, October 12, 1953

Armistice Day Observance, November 11, 1953

Thanksgiving Recess, November 26-27, 1953

AGE OF ADMISSION TO SCHOOL

Any child who becomes six years of age on or before January first of the year following the term when he wishes to enter school may be admitted into the first grade, but in every case the admission of a child under six shall be dependent upon the fitness of the child to profit by the work of the school, such fitness to be determined by the superintendent. Pupils under seven years of age who have not previously attended school shall not be permitted to enter later than thirty days after the opening of school in September of any school year.

SCHOOL REGULATIONS

Any complaint or representation which any person desires to make shall be presented or referred in writing to the superintendent of schools, who, in his discretion may bring it before the school committee. In cases of discipline or other school matters relating to their children, parents shall first discuss the matter with the teacher concerned. If for some reason they are not satisfied they will further discuss the matter with the following persons, if necessary, and in the following order: first, the principal of the building and then the superintendent of schools. If, finally, the superintendent has been unable to satisfy the parents, he shall report the case to the school committee for consideration and action.

THE NO SCHOOL SIGNAL

It is the policy of the school officials to practically abandon the use of the "no school" signal on account of weather condition. This is in line with what many other cities and towns are doing. The reasons for so doing are that much confusion has

resulted from the use of the "no school" signal, and the realization that the loss of even one school day is a very serious one.

However, there may be days when it is advisable to close schools on account of severe weather conditions or any other emergency.

Arrangements have been made with Radio Stations WNAC, WBZ and WWON to broadcast the fact whenever it is necessary to close the schools. The "no school" signals are usually given before, during or immediately after the news program. The siren will also blow three blasts twice at 7:30 A. M.

If schools do not close on any particularly bad day (rain, snow, or cold) parents are requested, and urged, to use their own judgment in sending their children to school.

SCHOOL FINANCIAL REPORT

RECEIPTS

| | | |
|-----------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| General Appropriation | \$58,352 30 | |
| Dog Tax, 1952 | 487 70 | |
| Total Receipts | ————— | \$58,840 00 |
| Total Expenditures | \$58,830 90 | |
| Unexpended Balance | | 9 10 |

REIMBURSEMENTS

| | | |
|--|-------------|-------------|
| State Aid | \$14,083 46 | |
| Superintendent: Salary-Transportation .. | 7,266 90 | |
| All School Transportation | 1,499 49 | |
| Boston City Wards | 511 85 | |
| Sale of Old Chairs | 25 00 | |
| Vocational Education | 191 45 | |
| Total Reimbursements | ————— | \$23,578 15 |

TAXATION COST OF SCHOOLS

| | | |
|----------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Total Expenditures | \$58,830 90 | |
| Reimbursements | 23,578 15 | |
| Net Cost by Taxation | ————— | \$35,252 75 |

EXPENDITURES

| | | |
|--------------------------------|-----------|--|
| School Committee Expense | \$ 40 50 | |
| Superintendent's Salary | 2,479 92 | |
| Superintendent's Expense | 301 20 | |
| Supervisors' Salaries | 1,233 20 | |
| Teachers' Salaries | 31,554 79 | |

| | | |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------|----|
| Textbooks | 1,126 | 41 |
| School Supplies | 1,379 | 92 |
| Wages of Janitor | 2,599 | 92 |
| Fuel | 1,731 | 44 |
| Janitor's Supplies | 760 | 66 |
| Telephones | 184 | 20 |
| Electricity | 414 | 18 |
| Labor | 150 | 25 |
| Advertising | 28 | 13 |
| Police Protection | 7 | 50 |
| Commissioner of Public Safety | 5 | 00 |
| Replacements | 661 | 90 |
| Trash Removal | 60 | 25 |
| Repairs | 3,041 | 07 |
| Library | 29 | 55 |
| Health | 496 | 37 |
| Transportation | 9,471 | 76 |
| New Equipment | 1,011 | 77 |
| School Lunch Program | 61 | 01 |
| Total Expenditures | ————— \$58,830 90 | |

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

A large part of our tax dollar is spent in educating our children. The majority of the townspeople, we are sure, feel that this is as it should be. They believe that money spent in this way is an excellent investment.

You will find improvements to the school building and equipment outlined in the report of the superintendent of schools. In addition to this, arrangements have been made for erection of posts with basketball goal-net combinations on the site of the tennis courts to supplement our playground equipment.

An art teacher has been added to our teaching staff. Instruction in art appreciation and art as a means of self expression has been lacking during previous years in our otherwise well-rounded elementary school program. Mechanical drawing as an elective is now provided for our high school program.

After 21 years of faithful service, Mr. Raymond Barrows has found it necessary to retire from his position as school custodian.

We appreciate the excellent and faithful work of our superintendent of schools, principal, and teaching staff in maintaining a high standard of instruction.

We are also grateful to you, the townspeople, for your support and co-operation.

Respectfully submitted,

GORDON R. GOOD
RICHARD HARDING
HERBERT BOWEN

Mendon School Committee

| | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--------|-------|---|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|-----|-----|
| VII | B | 3 | 8 | 1 | 2 | | | | | 14 | | | |
| | G | | 4 | 3 | | | | | | | 7 | 21 | |
| VIII | B | | 1 | 5 | 3 | 4 | | | | 13 | | | |
| | G | | 3 | 5 | | | 1 | | | | 9 | 22 | |
| IX | B | | | 3 | 4 | 3 | 2 | | | 12 | | | |
| | G | | | 4 | 10 | 1 | 1 | | | | 16 | 28 | |
| X | B | | | | 2 | 4 | 1 | | | 7 | | | |
| | G | | | | | 6 | 1 | | | | 7 | 14 | |
| XI | B | | | | | 1 | 2 | | | 3 | | | |
| | G | | | | | 4 | 10 | 2 | | | 16 | 19 | |
| XII | B | | | | | | 8 | 1 | | 9 | | | |
| | G | | | | | | 4 | 4 | | | 8 | 17 | |
| Totals | | 7 | 33 | 28 | 38 | 40 | 39 | 27 | 16 | 23 | 23 | 169 | 334 |
| Boys | | 5 | 19 | 13 | 18 | 19 | 24 | 13 | 9 | 11 | 12 | 169 | |
| Girls | | 2 | 14 | 15 | 20 | 21 | 15 | 14 | 7 | 12 | 11 | | 165 |

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the School Committee of Mendon:

Gentlemen:

It is with pleasure that I submit for your consideration my tenth Annual report as Superintendent of Schools.

During the year there were two changes in the teaching staff. Resignations from Mrs. Louise Benotti and Miss Barbara Seaver were received. Both of these capable teachers have been with us for several years. The School Committee appointed Mrs. Mildred White, of Franklin, to replace Mrs. Benotti in the Home Economics Department, and Mrs. Helen Jacques, of Blackstone, to succeed Miss Seaver in grade three. These new teachers are doing excellent work and are a splendid addition to our faculty. One additional part-time teacher, Miss E. Jane Coleman, was also engaged to teach art and drawing.

The school enrollment figures are steadily but not too rapidly increasing. On October 1, 1952 there were 256 pupils in the elementary school grades, one to eight, and 78 in the high school, a total of 334. This is the largest number ever to attend. In 1951, the total enrollment was 327, but this included some 12-15 pupils whose fathers were temporarily employed in installing gas pipe lines. These pupils are no longer with us. The following table shows the total enrollment, as of October 1, over a ten year period:

| Year | Enrollment | Increase |
|-----------|------------|----------|
| 1943..... | 284 | |
| 1944..... | 262 | |

| | | |
|-----------|----------|----|
| 1945..... | 249 | |
| 1946..... | 247 | |
| 1947..... | 249..... | 2 |
| 1948..... | 249..... | 0 |
| 1949..... | 259..... | 10 |
| 1950..... | 297..... | 38 |
| 1951..... | 327..... | 30 |
| 1952..... | 334..... | 7 |

The enrollment by grades can be determined by consulting the Age-Grade-Enrollment Chart which is included in the School Department Report. For the years 1945-1948, inclusive, the school population remained about the same. It will be noted that from 1949 on, there has been an increase each year, with a total of 85 more pupils than there were in 1948. In 1950, and again in 1951, there were substantial increases. The birth rate over a six-year period is as follows:

| Year | Number of Births |
|-----------|------------------|
| 1947..... | 28 |
| 1948..... | 37 |
| 1949..... | 28 |
| 1950..... | 41 |
| 1951..... | 41 |
| 1952..... | 45 |

Total attendance next September will probably be about 350. With the increased number of new homes and an expanding birth rate the school enrollment will have a tendency to increase each year. This condition must be carefully observed in order that we have classroom space enough for all children.

Excellent progress has been made in the regular school program. Our teaching staff is doing a fine job in all subjects in the curriculum. Many new textbooks have been purchased and an ample supply of all the materials and supplies necessary for good instruction have been obtained and used. There has been

a further revision in our reading system in order that this important subject be made more interesting and adaptable to children in the primary grades. English, reading and allied subjects are particularly stressed at all times. Several of our teachers have taken courses in the field of education. Our work in handwriting, under the direction of Mr. William L. Rinehart and his staff, has been maintained on a high level. The progress in music, under the able direction of Miss Wilson, Music Supervisor, has been excellent indeed. An art program, under the direction of Miss E. J. Coleman, was inaugurated in September. Special projects and activities are used to make all school subjects more interesting.

The School Department has been considering engaging an art supervisor for some time. This year we were very fortunate in obtaining Miss E. J. Coleman, of Mendon, a graduate of the Massachusetts School of Art, for this position. Miss Coleman works on a part-time basis, one day a week, the same as our Music supervisor. She had several years teaching experience before joining our faculty. She teaches Mechanical drawing in the high school and art and drawing in the elementary grades. This is a real step forward in our educational program, and fulfills a long-felt need.

A regional all day conference of all elementary teachers in this area was held in Franklin in April. Teachers attended from Mendon, Bellingham, Hopedale, Blackstone, Millville, Franklin, Medway, and Wrentham. The conference was under the direction and supervision of Miss O'Rouke, Supervisor of Elementary Education in the State Department of Education, and the superintendents of schools in the towns which participated. Both general and sectional meetings were held in which all teachers could take part. The new curriculum guide for elementary schools was discussed at length, as well as other problems and questions relating to elementary school education. This conference proved very helpful to all teachers.

American Education was observed during the week of November 11-17. Special topics were discussed each school day. An "open house" was held on Wednesday evening of that week. All faculty members were present and in their classrooms. Many parents visited various rooms and had an opportunity to talk with the teachers about their children's educational progress. There were exhibits of the classroom work of each pupil. This activity was very successful as it gave many parents, who might not otherwise have had the chance to do so, an opportunity to discuss with the teachers problems pertaining to their children. Parents are cordially invited to visit the school and classes at any time.

The school lunch program has continued functioning in a fine manner. Mrs. Edna Brown, the very capable manager of the cafeteria for several years, resigned in October. The School Committee appointed Mrs. Louise Dautrich to succeed Mrs. Brown, and Mrs. Dautrich has taken over this very important position with excellent results. The hot school lunch program is one of the necessary activities of a well-rounded school program. The work of various members of the Parent-Teacher Association in giving their time in assisting and preparing the daily hot lunches is deeply appreciated by all.

Late in May a visiting and registration day was held for children who planned to enter school in September for the first time. A large number of parents of entering first grade children came to school, registered their children, and then visited the first grade. This project was quite successful. Next May a similar registration and visiting day will be planned. It is very important that all entering first grade children in September of 1953 be registered at that time. It gives the School Department a much better idea of how to plan for this most important class. It also saves a great deal of time on the opening day of School in September. Entering first grade pupils must be 6 years of age on or before January 1, 1954 in order to be admitted to Grade One.

The annual registration of all minors in town between the ages of 5 and 16 was taken in October. The results are shown in the following table:

DISTRIBUTION OF MINORS

| | 5 years or over and under 7 | 7 years or over and under 16 |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Boys | 32 | 147 |
| Girls | 19 | 133 |
| Totals | 51 | 280 |
| | | |
| In public school membership | 36 | 264 |
| In private school membership .. | 2 | 15 |
| Not enrolled in any school | 13 | 1 |
| Totals | 51 | 280 |

For the past few years the school building has been kept in excellent condition, making any major repairs unnecessary. We hope this policy will continue. In addition to regular routine repairs, such as plumbing, heating, and electrical work, the following has been accomplished:

Some interior painting

Floor repairs

New cork bulletin boards—first and second
floor corridors

New sewing machine of most modern type

New typewriters

New Rex-O-Graph (duplicating machine)

New chairs—commercial room

New outside incinerator

New outside drinking fountain

New classroom shades

Repairs to water pump

Desks sanded and refinished

New studio couch

Among the more important repair items for next year the following should be considered: repair floor first grade room, painting, and changes in heating system in order that two classrooms on cold side of building may be more quickly and easily kept up to proper classroom temperature.

In closing I wish to express to you my sincere thanks for your efforts in making the year a most successful one. The assistance and cooperation of the Principal, Mr. Clough, the teachers, supervisors, school physician, school nurse, townspeople, parents, and pupils are also deeply appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

PERCY L. ROWE,

Superintendent of Schools

REPORT OF HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

To Mr. Percy L. Rowe,

Superintendent of Schools:

I herewith submit the annual report of Mendon High and Center School for the year ending December 31, 1952.

The enrollment figures based on school membership on December 15, 1952 show a total enrollment almost exactly equal to that of last year. Although registration figures are no larger at the present time than those of last year, they show that there has been a substantial increase in the number of permanent pupils in school. One year ago there were numerous temporarily enrolled pupils belonging to families of pipeline employees. This year there are none.

School membership December 15, 1952: Grade One-37; Grade Two-32; Grade Three-27; Grade Four-42; Grade Five-40; Grade Six-29; Grade Seven-21; Grade Eight-20; Grade Nine-27; Grade Ten-14; Grade Eleven-19; Grade Twelve-17.

The graduation exercises of the Class of 1952 were held June 18, 1952 at the Unitarian Church. The list of graduates is as follows: Lucille J. Auclair, Richard Bethel, Barbara A. Closson, Jeanne C. Lamothe, Maurice H. Lamothe, Frederick Oppewal, Beverly J. Rocks, Cecile M. Rondeau, Shirley M. Steere, Barbara A. Tadakowsky, Earl F. Thomas, Loraine P. Wills, Frances A. York.

Shirley M. Steere attained the highest scholastic record for the four years of high school work, and Lucille J. Auclair second highest honors. The winner of the Alumni Medal presented by the Mendon High School Alumni Association was Shirley M. Steere. The Good Citizenship Medal and Certificate were awarded to Lucille J. Auclair. Maurice H. Lamothe was the winner of the American Legion Medal presented by the Roger L. Wood Post of the American Legion for outstanding qualities of character, leadership, and good citizenship.

Earl F. Thomas was elected by members of Mendon High School to represent Mendon during the activities of Good Government Day at the State House. Wayne F. Wagner and Iris B. Rogers were chosen as representatives at Boys' State and Girls' State respectively, held in June under the auspices of the American Legion and Legion Auxiliary.

Prize Speaking was held at Mendon Town Hall April 18, 1952. The following pupils took advantage of the opportunities afforded by this exercise: Marilyn R. Chick, Janet M. Parkinson, George W. Phipps, Iris B. Rogers, Justine A. Southwick, Sandra G. Southwick, Bruce A. Thomas, Wayne F. Wagner. First Prize was awarded to Wayne F. Wagner, Second Prize to Iris B. Rogers, and Third Prize to Justine A. Southwick. Several pupils later participated in a regional speech contest.

The annual senior play was presented at the Mendon Town Hall on December 5, 1952. A large well trained cast under the direction of Mrs. Doris O'Neill presented the three act comedy, "Tattletale", with great success. On March 7, 1952 a school minstrel show was ably presented at the Town Hall under the direction of Miss Christine Wilson, Supervisor of Music.

The addition of Miss E. Jane Coleman, Supervisor of Art, to the teaching staff has made possible the development of art and drawing classes throughout the grades. A class in mechanical drawing has been started on an elective basis in High school.

In connection with the observance of American Education Week, an open house evening was held November 12 ,1952 at the Center School. Samples of class papers and a variety of written exercises were on display at the desks of pupils. Teachers were available in their rooms for conferences with parents.

The Class of 1952 made the customary trip to Washington during the week of spring vacation in April. Except for a few years during the war, this trip has been a feature of the senior year's program over a long period of time. Under present regulations, each pupil now contributes approximately two thirds the cost of the trip. The balance is raised through entertainments, sales campaigns, and card parties. For the support which the community gives, each senior class has a really significant debt of gratitude.

The school lunchroom and cafeteria began its sixth year of operation in September. It continues to supply a plentiful and well balanced meal at very reasonable prices to school pupils. Mrs. Edna Brown, Manager of the lunchroom since its beginning, submitted her resignation in October. Mrs. Louise Dautrich, Assistant Manager, has accepted the position of Manager, and Mrs. Theresa Wright has been named Assistant. The generous contribution of time and effort on the part of a number of co-operative mothers and friends of the School continues to be a most important factor in the successful operation of the project.

Parents are urged to visit school and to confer with teachers and principal whenever questions and problems arise. It is the wish of the school staff to cooperate as fully as possible with the home.

In conclusion, I wish to express sincere appreciation for the assistance and cooperation of the Superintendent of Schools, Mr. Percy L. Rowe, the School Committee, the Mendon Parent Teacher Association, and the townspeople of Mendon.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY P. CLOUGH, Principal

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

January 5, 1953

Percy L. Rowe, Superintendent of Schools
Mendon School Department
Mendon, Mass.

Dear Mr. Rowe:

The toxoid clinic was held at the Mendon High School starting March 18th and closed May 13, 1952.

16 children received the three protective doses of triple antigen.

10 children received the three protective doses of double antigen.

59 children received the booster dose.

The annual physical examinations of the pupils of Grades 1, 3, 5, 7, and 9 were done in the fall and the following defects were found:

The number examined — 154

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| Enlarged tonsils | 11 |
| Wax in ears | 4 |
| Ear infection | 1 |
| Heart murmur | 1 |

On the whole the physical condition of the group was extremely good.

Yours truly,

DONALD ALLAIN, M.D.

School Physician

SCHOOL NURSE'S ANNUAL REPORT

1952

Mr. Percy L. Rowe,
Superintendent of Schools:

May we submit to you the Annual School Nursing Report for the year ending December 1952.

Mendon School was visited Tuesday of each week when school was in session.

Registration was held at Mendon School on May 23rd, with the nurse assisting.

The State Department has now recommended that vision and hearing tests be done every other year; also, that pupils of Grades 1-4-7-10 have a complete physical each year by the school physician.

In the early part of the year we had a mild chicken-pox epidemic; and in the spring a measles epidemic. Many children were absent during these periods. Colds, sore throats, and grippe were also prevalent at intervals throughout the year.

All children were weighed and measured twice during the year. Dr. Allain, school physician, assisted by the nurse, has completed the physical examinations of all pupils present in Grades 1, 3, 5, 7, and 9.

The following defects were found amongst the children examined by Dr. Allain:

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| Enlarged tonsils | 11 |
| Wax in ears | 4 |
| Ear infection | 1 |
| Heart murmur | 1 |

Triple and double antigen clinics were held in Mendon School March 18th, April 15th and May 13th. The details of the clinic will be given in Dr. Allain's report.

The following is a summary of the work done by the nurse in her visits to the school:

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| 1. Inspection of pupils | 776 |
| 2. Pupils inspected for disease | 60 |
| 3. Pupils recommended for exclusion | 17 |
| 4. Pupils and nurse conferences | 222 |
| 5. Pupils treated for minor injuries | 64 |
| 6. Nurse and teacher conferences | 245 |
| 7. Home visits | 36 |

In closing, may we thank Dr. Allain, Mr. Rowe, the school committee, and the principal and teachers of the Mendon School for their courtesy and cooperation.

GRACE MORAN,

Supervisor of Nurses

MUSIC SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

To the Superintendent of Schools:

My dear Mr. Rowe,

Music is only one of the many media for teaching. Although we, as music educators, are not expected to make musicians out of all the children in school, we are expected to add to their pleasure and to their mental growth as they go through the process known as formal education. Actually, the aim of education through music, is to teach for appreciation of music. Television and radio are having a vital effect on influencing the musical tastes of students and it is no easy matter gearing the school music programs to cultivate tastes for intelligent and critical out-of-school listening and "viewing." There are exasperations disillusionments galore such as—being told that "hill-billy" music, accompanied by the guitar, "beats opera anyday;" or teaching scale progressions when Junior High boys can think of other things more interesting, or trying to be diplomatic when some members of the chorus repeatedly forget that the vowel and not the consonant makes the tone for singing, and that singing the phrase is one of the most important things in performance. Speaking of performance, it seems that youngsters rarely do their best at functions for the public. I think this is due, primarily, to self-consciousness, which has many forms, fear of a high note; fear of forgetting either the words or music; fear of what the audience will think of him; or "thousands" of other fears, any of which will work havoc on the performer. However, teaching

music has its recompenses, too. It is pretty gratifying to have a youngster, who boastfully dislikes music, request that a certain song be sung by the class; or to have the chorus pour a wealth of feeling into the interpretation of a choral piece such as "The Lord's Prayer"; or to have some apathetic child who seemingly neither likes nor dislikes anything, get a perfect mark in a music quiz.

In order to stimulate interest in part-singing in the intermediate grades, it is necessary to employ several teaching techniques. Usually the class warms immediately to a familiar round such as "Row Row Row Your Boat." Sometimes we introduce harmony to a familiar melody by having the teacher sing alto while the class sings melody, or if a piano is accessible, use a harmonic background in accompaniment. Eventually through singing and listening, the children decide that singing in harmony offers more satisfaction than unison singing. I like unaccompanied singing because in a cappella chorus, the voice alone must carry the burden of expression, making the child conscious of tone, harmonics, and dynamics.

I am most grateful, here in Mendon, for the cooperation of teachers who feel that music is not a waste of valuable school time and who give it equal consideration with other subjects in the curriculum. To them, and to you, Mr. Rowe, and to all connected with the school system, I extend my sincere thanks.

Respectfully submitted,

CHRISTINE M. WILSON,

Supervisor of Music Education

REPORT OF ART SUPERVISOR

To Mr. Percy L. Rowe
Superintendent of Schools

Dear Mr. Rowe,

It has been most interesting to note the development of the creative ability of the boys and girls in the Mendon school. Since September, they have had the opportunity of illustrating events of their everyday lives as well as illustrating stories which they have read. There has also been an opportunity for them to use cut paper in Halloween, Thanksgiving, and Christmas projects. Water-colors have been introduced in the fifth, sixth, seventh, and eighth grades.

Outstanding work is displayed weekly on the new bulletin boards which have been erected in the first floor corridor. During National Art Week in November, an exhibit of pupils' work was held at the Taft Public Library.

In the high school, the basic rules of Mechanical Drawing procedure have been introduced and students have become familiar with making working drawings, geometrical construction and isometric drawing.

It's the aim to have children use as many media as possible in their art experiences but present school facilities are inadequate for attempting some projects. It is hoped that through their art experiences, the pupils will have gained an ability to recognize and appreciate beauty in the world around them.

In closing, I wish to thank you, Mr. Rowe, the School Committee, and the principal and teachers of the Mendon school for their sincere interest and fine co-operation.

Respectfully submitted,

E. JANE COLEMAN,

Supervisor of Art

PRIZE SPEAKING CONTEST

MENDON TOWN HALL—APRIL 18, 1952

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|----------------------------------|--------------------|
| A Gentleman Farmer | Carlson |
| Justine A. Southwick | |
| Exit the Big Bad Wolf | McMahon |
| Bruce A. Thomas | |
| Sixteen | Daly |
| Janet M. Parkinson | |
| The Dance | Mexican Folk Tune |
| Grade Six Chorus | |
| Sorry, Wrong Number | Ullman |
| Maureen A. Smith | |
| An Underhand Pass | Black |
| Wayne F. Wagner | |
| Penny | Black |
| Sandra G. Southwick | |
| Three Jovial Welshmen | English Folk Tune |
| Grade Six Chorus | |
| Danny's Little Tin Soldier | Black |
| Iris B. Rogers | |
| Fires At Valley Forge | Clark |
| George W. Phipps | |
| Laugh, Clown, Laugh | Antwerp |
| Marilyn R. Chick | |
| Island of My Desire | Filipino Folk Tune |
| Grade Six Chorus | |
| Decision of Judges | |

GRADUATION EXERCISES
OF
MENDON HIGH SCHOOL

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 18, 1952

UNITARIAN CHURCH

Processional—Pomp and Circumstance Elgar
Mrs. Bertha B. Rogers

Invocation
Rev. Truman L. Hayes

Salutatory and Essay—What About Communism?
Lucille J. Auclair

Song—This Is My Country Jacobs
High School Chorus

Essay—The American Red Cross
Beverly J. Rocks

Essay—The Rehabilitation of Harold Russell
Maurice Lamothe

Essay—A Tribute
Earl F. Thomas

Song—Vilia Lehar
High School Chorus

Essay—Our Peace Organization
Frances A. York

Essay—Massachusetts
Richard Bethel

Essay and Valedictory—Mass. State Government

Shirley M. Steere

Song—The Lord's Prayer Malotte

High School Chorus

Diploma and Award Presentation

Mr. Gordon R. Good

Chairman of School Committee

Star Spangled Banner

Benediction

Rev. Truman L. Hayes

Recessional—Grand Triumphal March Guilmant

Reception—Mendon Town Hall

GRADUATES OF MENDON HIGH SCHOOL

CLASS OF 1952

Lucille J. Auclair

Richard Bethel

Barbara A. Closson

Jeanne C. Lamothe

Maurice H. Lamothe

Frederick Oppewal

Beverly J. Rocks

Cecile M. Rondeau

Shirley M. Steere

Barbara A. Tadakowsky

Earl F. Thomas

Lorraine P. Wills

Frances A. York

TOWN WARRANT

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Worcester, ss.

*TO THE CONSTABLE of the TOWN of MENDON in the
COUNTY of WORCESTER, Greeting:*

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Mendon qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs to meet at the
TOWN HALL

in said Mendon on MONDAY the SECOND day of MARCH
A.D. 1953 punctually at 9:00 o'clock A.M., to act on

Article 1.

Article 2 and all following Articles on this Warrant will be acted upon Friday the sixth day of March at 7:00 P.M.

Article 1. To bring in their ballots for the following Town Officers:

- One Moderator for one year;
- One Town Clerk for one year;
- One Selectman for three years;
- One Assessor for three years;
- One Town Treasurer for one year;
- One Constable for one year;
- One Tree Warden for one year;
- One Trustee of the Taft Public Library for
two years;

One Trustee of the Taft Public Library for one year;

One Member of the School Committee for three years;

One Park Commissioner for three years;

One Highway surveyor for one year;

One Water Commissioner for three years;

all on one ballot, designating the office intended for each person.

Article 2. To hear the reports of the several Town Officers and Committees and act thereon.

Article 3. To chose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

Article 4. To appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town expenses for the financial year beginning January 1, 1953.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1953 and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year and to renew any note or notes as may be given for the period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44 of the General Laws.

Article 6. To see if the Town will appropriate any sum of money for the improvement and repairs of highways, to be expended under the direction of the Massachusetts Department of Public Works as provided under Chapter 81 of the General Laws as amended, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 7. To see if the Town will appropriate any sum of money for the operation and repairs of Town machinery, a part

or whole to be taken from the Road Machinery Fund, or take any action in relation to the same.

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate any sum of money for the maintenance of Chapter 90 Roads, said money to be used in conjunction with any money which may be allotted by the State and County for this purpose, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate any sum of money for Chapter 90 New Construction provided the State and County will contribute for such work under the provisions of Chapter 90 of the General Laws.

Article 10. To see what action the Town will take regarding any legal proceedings that may be brought against or by the Town.

Article 11. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to sell any or all real estate owned by the Town by reason of the foreclosure of Tax Title thereon and to execute, acknowledge and deliver a proper deed or deeds therefor, authority therefor to terminate March 4, 1954 or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the dog license refund from the Worcester County in 1953 to be used for general school expenses in 1953, or take any action in relation to the same.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$5,000. from available funds to the Stabilization Fund, as defined in Chapter 124, Acts of 1945 of the General Laws of Massachusetts, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$250.00 for Civilian Defense or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 to complete the renovation of the Police Station or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to change the location of Bates Street, now to begin at the residence of Minnie F. Thayer continuing to the Bellingham town line near the residence of William R. Bowen; and to rename that portion of Route 140 from the Hopedale town line to the Bellingham Town line, "Cape Road," or take any action in relation to same.

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$650.00 for re-roofing one side of the Town Hall, replace rain gutter, and make any necessary repairs, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from Available Funds in the treasury, the sum of \$10,000. to liquidate the outstanding Fire Station loan on notes due 1953 to 1957 inclusive.

Article 19. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$4,000. for the purchase of a tractor and special equipment, the whole to be taken from the Road Machinery Fund, or take any action in relation to the same.

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to have four street lights installed on North Avenue from the intersection of Founders Park and Route 16 to the proposed St. Michael's Church, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500. for fire hose, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to accept Chapter 624, Acts of 1952, relative to increasing the amounts of pensions,

retirement allowances and annuities payable to certain former public employees, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to abandon a section of Providence Street near the residence of Walter Yanski, approximately between Stations 32 and 42, or take any action in relation to same.

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000. for the enlargement of the present well at the Town Hall, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$400. for alterations of the drainage system on Main Street near the residence of Smith Steere to alleviate the situation now existing near the home of Shelley Vincent, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 26. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,500. for alteration of the drainage system on Blackstone and Emerson Streets, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 27. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500. for a catch basin and drainage system near the residence of Willard Kinnecombe on Washington Street, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 28. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000.) to supplement the twenty-five hundred dollars appropriated in 1952 for the improvement of the athletic field at the Center School, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 29. To see if the Town will vote to abandon a section of road between Hartford Avenue West, near the resi-

dence of Donald Kearsley and Route 16, formerly known as Uxbridge Road, or take any action in relation to same.

POLLS WILL CLOSE AT 6:00 P.M.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up an attested copy thereof at the Post Office in said Mendon and causing a copy to be published once in the Milford Daily News, a newspaper published in Milford, Mass., both said posting and publication to be at least seven days before the time of the meeting hereby ordered to be held.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk of said town before the time of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Mendon, this Ninth day of February A.D. 1953.

JOHN L. LUNDVALL

ERNEST P. WOOD

HAROLD METCALF

Selectmen of Mendon

A true copy, attest:

HAROLD C. BARROWS,

Constable of Mendon

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Article 4.

| | 1952 | 1952 | 1953 |
|---------------------------------------|----------------|-----------|-------------------------------|
| | Appropriations | Transfers | Expenditures - Recommendation |
| Moderator's Salary | \$25 00 | ..... | \$25 00 |
| Selectmen's Salaries | 550 00 | ..... | 700 00 |
| Selectmen's Expense | 150 00 | ..... | 147 63 |
| Treasurer's Salary | 700 00 | ..... | 700 00 |
| Treasurer's Expense | 150 00 | \$67 70 | 200 00 |
| Town Accountant's Salary | 400 00 | ..... | 400 00 |
| Town Accountant's Expense | 50 00 | 28 65 | 75 00 |
| Town Clerk's Salary | 200 00 | ..... | 200 00 |
| Town Clerk's Expense | 500 00 | ..... | 500 00 |
| Tax Collector's Salary | 925 00 | ..... | 925 00 |
| Tax Collector's Expense | 225 00 | ..... | 225 00 |
| Assessors' Salaries | 700 00 | ..... | 700 00 |
| Assessors' Expense | 300 00 | ..... | 300 00 |
| Elections & Registrations | 900 00 | 46 07 | 600 00 |
| Town Counsel's Salary | 100 00 | ..... | 100 00 |
| Town Counsel's Expense | 75 00 | ..... | 75 00 |
| Clerical Hire for Town Officers | 300 00 | | 300 00 |
| Town Officers' Bonds | 201 00 | | 201 00 |
| | | | 265 00 |

| | 1952 | 1952 | 1953 |
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| | Appropriations | Transfers | Expenditures |
| Town Hall Maintenance | 800 00 | 86 30 | 886 30 |
| Record Room Maintenance | 380 00 | ..... | 363 69 |
| Heat & Lights—Town Buildings..... | 2,000 00 | 450 00 | 2,449 59 |
| Constable's Salary | 25 00 | ..... | 25 00 |
| Police Department | \$2,000 00 | \$600 00 | \$2,585 96 |
| Fire Department | 1,685 00 | ..... | 1,681 55 |
| Forest Fire Department | 500 00 | ..... | 497 50 |
| Hydrant Rental | 550 00 | ..... | 550 00 |
| Dog Officer | 75 00 | 16 50 | 91 50 |
| Sealer of Weights and Measures | 45 00 | 3 75 | 48 75 |
| Board of Health | 1,700 00 | ..... | 1,297 22 |
| Tree Warden | 500 00 | 75 00 | 575 00 |
| Elm Beetle Suppression | 500 00 | ..... | 500 00 |
| Moth Suppression | 200 00 | ..... | 200 00 |
| Inspector of Animals | 150 00 | ..... | 150 00 |
| Inspector of Slaughtering | 25 00 | ..... | 25 00 |
| Wiring Inspector Salary | 50 00 | | 50 00 |
| General Repairs | 1,700 00 | | 1,699 93 |
| Snow Removal | 6,000 00 | | 6,000 00 |

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|--|-----------|----------|-----------|-----------|
| Street Lighting | 684 00 | | 684 00 | 744 00 |
| Public Welfare Salaries | 45 00 | | 45 00 | 45 00 |
| Public Welfare, Temporary Aid | 6,000 00 | 1,500 00 | 7,498 26 | 6,000 00 |
| Aid to Dependent Children | 2,000 00 | ..... | 907 20 | 2,000 00 |
| Old Age Assistance | 16,000 00 | ..... | 10,545 97 | 16,000 00 |
| Old Age Assistance Administration | 750 00 | ..... | 750 00 | 750 00 |
| Veterans' Benefits | 500 00 | ..... | 302 84 | 500 00 |
| School Department | 58,352 30 | 487 70 | 58,830 90 | 60,449 16 |
| Taft Public Library | 700 00 | 350 00 | 1,049 67 | 810 00 |
| Vocational Education | 1,000 00 | ..... | 564 83 | 1,000 00 |
| Adm. of Veterans' Benefits | 100 00 | ..... | 100 00 | 100 00 |
| Water Dept. Maint. | 600 00 | 920 15 | 1,520 15 | 750 00 |
| Soldier's and Sailor's Graves | 30 00 | ..... | 30 00 | 30 00 |
| Park Department | 200 00 | ..... | 168 20 | 200 00 |
| Memorial Day Celebration | 200 00 | ..... | 198 25 | 200 00 |
| Insurance on Town Bldgs. | 1,800 00 | ..... | 1,659 59 | 1,400 00 |
| Town Reports | 696 00 | ..... | 696 00 | 600 00 |
| Reserve Fund | 2,000 00 | ..... | 1,987 53 | 2,000 00 |
| Maturing Debt | 4,000 00 | ..... | 4,000 00 | 4,000 00 |
| Interest on Maturing Debt | 825 75 | 3 00 | 828 75 | 733 75 |
| Interest on Temporary Loans | 200 00 | ..... | 112 50 | 200 00 |
| Tax Title Foreclosure | 50 00 | ..... | 8 25 | 50 00 |
| Worcester County Ret. Expense Fund | 731 45 | ..... | 731 45 | 839 00 |

1953 RECOMMENDATIONS

| | | |
|---------|-----|--------------|
| Article | 6. | \$3,700 00 |
| " | 7. | \$3,000 00 |
| " | 8. | \$1,500 00 |
| " | 9. | \$2,000 00 |
| " | 12. | Approved |
| " | 13. | Approved |
| " | 14. | \$ 250 00 |
| " | 15. | \$ 200 00 |
| " | 17. | \$ 650 00 |
| " | 18. | \$8,000 00 |
| " | 19. | Approved |
| " | 20. | Approved |
| " | 21. | Approved |
| " | 24. | Approved |
| " | 25. | \$ 400 00 |
| " | 26. | \$2,500 00 |
| " | 28. | Not Approved |

LEE P. McFARLAND
 FRANKLIN E. GOODNOW
 ROY A. BARROWS

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